

PURE LEAPFROG
COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE
ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISORS

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Pure Leapfrog is a UK registered charity (number 1112249) as well as a UK company limited by guarantee (number 05534395). The Trustees of the charity act as Directors for the company for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006.

As Directors of the Company and Trustees of the Charity, the Board meetings and minutes cover both roles.

Directors and Trustees of Pure Leapfrog during the 2023/24 year

The Trustees who served the charitable company during the year and since the year end were:

Mark Henderson
Simon Cordery
Dr Michael Jampel
Shelagh Kirkland (Treasurer)
Graeme Ludlow (Chair)
Sophie Pughe

Senior management team

Paul Gilligan, CEO

Registered Office

82 Tanner Street, London, SE1 3GN

Auditors

Buzzacott LLP, 130 Wood Street, London, EC2V 3DL (retired 2025)

Independent Examiners

TC Ollis Limited, Nelson House, 2 Hamilton Terrace, Leamington Spa, Warwickshire.
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Bankers

Barclays Bank PLC, 1 Churchill Place, London, E14 5HP

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Purpose and activities

The legal charitable purposes of Pure Leapfrog, as stated in the Articles of Association, are:

1. To promote sustainable development for the benefit of the public by:
 - The preservation, conservation and the protection of the environment and the prudent use of resources,
 - The relief of poverty, the promotion of health and the improvement of the conditions of life in socially and economically disadvantaged communities,
 - The promotion of sustainable means of achieving economic growth and regeneration.
2. To advance the education of the public in subjects relating to sustainable development and the protection, enhancement and rehabilitation of the environment, and to promote study and research in such subjects provided that the useful results to such study are disseminated to the public at large.
3. To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment.
4. To advance the education of the public in the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment.

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Chair's Statement

The year to 31 August 2024 was marked by both challenge and renewed momentum in the national effort to address climate change, rising energy costs, and community resilience.

At a national level, as we saw a shift in government so we also saw a shift in energy policy, which began to shift more decisively. The Energy Act 2023 laid foundations for the UK's clean energy future — advancing carbon capture, low-carbon heating, and hydrogen trials. The introduction of Great British Energy and the new National Wealth Fund signals a return to public investment in renewable generation. The ambition to democratise energy infrastructure was clear from the new administration's manifesto pledge to “partner with energy cooperatives, local authorities and communities to expand community-owned and led renewable energy”.

Of course, this speaks very directly to the core of Pure Leapfrog, who we are and what we promote. As an early mover in the Community Energy Sector we have been promoting this for twenty years. And, for as long as energy bills remain as stubbornly high as they have been, we will continue to promote the idea that democratisation of energy is part of the solution for tackling fuel poverty.

Despite a steady drop in inflation (from record highs the year before) and it broadly hitting the government target of 2% over summer 2024, millions of households remained in fuel poverty. Our work in domestic retrofit in the Private Rental Sector (where there is higher correlation to fuel poverty) remains a core part of our programme for this reason. As impactful as ours, and others work, is in this and other adjacent domains, concerns about climate change continue to grow. During the year the planet has experienced increasingly extreme weather, and ocean impact; had warnings from eminent scientists about “permanent breaches above 1.5°”, “tipping points” and “feedback loops”; and had clear signals from the Climate Change Committee that faster, fairer action is essential.

Against this backdrop, Pure Leapfrog's mission becomes even more urgent and relevant. We remain committed to enabling climate action that is rooted in place, led by people, and centred on equity. As national commitments strengthen, our role – supporting communities to become involved, innovating new approaches and solutions to unlock more action more quickly and by more people, and having a real impact on climate and people – becomes ever more important.

We are proud of what has been achieved this year, and we are determined to do even more in the year ahead.

Graeme Ludlow
Chair

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CEO's Statement

It has been a year of change and renewal, with a number of key projects finishing and new ones starting. The team has also had some turnover, with colleagues leaving to find new challenges, and new team members joining us.

We are engaged in numerous impactful projects, from helping communities to build, own and operate their own energy assets, through to developing new business models for local energy supply from community assets. In all of this we strive for positive impacts both socially and environmentally. Some of the most potentially impactful work is around domestic retrofit, where we are focussing on properties owned by private landlords that are let to tenants. There is a significant correlation between the quality of this housing and its tenure type, and there is a greater degree of fuel poverty and other vulnerabilities for people living in poorer quality homes.

Retrofitting homes doesn't only improve energy performance and reduce carbon footprint, but also delivers lower fuel bills, can also improve the fabric of those homes, and the health and quality of life of the occupants. Where whole streets are retrofitted, it starts to change the nature of that whole street, the relationship between people and where they live, and the relationships between the residents themselves too.

Our other work remains vitally important and I am pleased that we are busy on multiple fronts. This includes supporting grassroots communities in three different parts of the country in building their own energy projects, engaging with two Church of England Dioceses to explore how we can partner to leverage faith communities to help decarbonise the church estate, and developing new business models around local supply of energy from community assets.

We also continue to undertake meaningful work in researching new finance solutions (such as CDFI for community shares, property linked finance, a national utility for retrofit finance products) and work with communities to help them raise the finance they need for their projects. We are indebted to our valuable partners, volunteering on our Green Finance Panel, who guide and advise us in this work.

At time of writing, I reflect on how my fifth year in this post coincides with the twentieth of Pure Leapfrog. I find it astonishing how much the world has changed in just five years, let alone the fifteen preceding it.

Five years ago, there were 275 Community Energy Groups across the UK. Today, over 600; five years ago, you had to be a licenced energy supply company to aggregate flexibility, now we are developing plans for communities to do this for themselves; and five years ago, the average unit cost of electricity was 19.5 pence, now it is 27 pence.

All the more reason to keep growing and empowering the sector.

Paul Gilligan
CEO

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Achievements and Performance

The year ending 31st August 2024 has been a year of establishing new work. We have continued to build our capabilities in both the energy systems and buildings and retrofit sectors, with key new projects either underway during the year, or at time of writing.

The **Community Virtual Microgrids** project seeks to develop new business models for community scale asset sharing behind and in front of the meter. Assets may be generating, storage or flexibility assets.

Both **Retrofit for Lets** and **Let Zero** are projects that are developing ways to communicate the benefits of domestic retrofit to private landlords and their tenants, give advice and support for the retrofit journey and deliver services such as Retrofit Assessments and Whole House plans, as well as providing contracting platforms for work, introductions to relevant installers, and information about grants and finance available.

We have also supported a number of Community Energy Groups with their own energy projects including in Somerset, Warwickshire, Warrington and County Durham.

Efforts are underway to create a sustainable business model for the One Stop Shop service being developed within the **Let Zero** project, so that it might keep its doors open beyond the project's funded period. Other sources of grant support are also being sought in order to smooth the transition.

We will also seek additional funding to continue our work on Community Virtual Microgrids, possibly to develop some of the technologies required, or run some studies or pilots with communities. Other new projects and partnerships are being constantly developed, with opportunities in Green Hydrogen, Agricultural Decarbonisation, Maritime Biofuels and more.

Financial Review

The company ended the year in a negative position (-£120,754) on slightly increased turnover to the previous year (2024: £307,674; 2023: £261,817). The majority of the net expenditure is from restricted funds (£87,841), where income to those funds had been booked in earlier years. Much of the defrayal from those funds contributing to the negative outturn, in the year to end August 2024, was in the form of grant making to other organisations. The net unrestricted expenditure was £32,913.

Income to restricted funds during the year was significantly higher than the previous (2024: £261,541; 2023: £106,211), reflecting the increased activity in grant supported projects such as **Warrington Carbon Culture** and **Retrofit for Lets**.

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Much of our activity occurs within restricted fund projects, and is funded by grant makers such as Innovate UK, Net Zero Hubs, and the Department for Net Zero and Energy Security, reflecting the nature of Pure Leapfrog as an innovation driven organisation.

At time of writing, our grant supported innovation activity is higher still, with the Innovate UK supported Let Zero project being our largest. Whilst income from these projects is restricted, a contribution to our ongoing overheads by most funders provides much needed revenues to our unrestricted funds. We expect our unrestricted funds to reflect this increased activity in the current year.

Structure, Governance, and Management

Pure Leapfrog is governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association, constituted 11 August 2005. It is a registered charity, no. 1112249 regulated by the Charities Commission. Pure Leapfrog is a limited company, no. 05534395.

The responsibilities of the Trustees and management/staff are set out in the Board charter and delegated authorities policy. Trustees and staff are recruited through an open advertisement process. There have been no new Trustees through the year. A suite of business and human resource policies guide the activities of staff.

Charity staff pay is set based on publicly available benchmarking information and research into current terms.

Chief Executive

The Chief Executive during this reporting period was Paul Gilligan, who remains in post at time of writing and filing.

The Team

At 31st August 2024 Pure Leapfrog had a staff of five people. At time of writing the team is a team of twelve, with one further person joining in the coming weeks. Overall, the team benefits from over many decades' experience in renewables, energy systems, energy efficiency, carbon, climate change, finance and legal related fields.

As projects finish, roughly half the staff will come to the end of fixed term contracts. We are actively seeking follow on funding for projects where we believe greater impact may be achieved by doing so, and also new funding for new projects. Our aim is to have impact against our charitable objectives, and, as far as possible, retain the skills and experience of a strong team.

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

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The trustees (who are also directors of Pure Leapfrog for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102);
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue on operation.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

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We report on the accounts of the Charity for the period ended 31 August 2024 which are set out on pages 9 to 21.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the Charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to our attention and to examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act.

Basis of independent examiner's report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charities Commission. 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 we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts. Our report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention:

- (1) which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the following requirements have not been met –
 - a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
 - b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act; or
- (2) to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

TC Ollis Limited

Nelson House, 2 Hamilton Terrace, Leamington Spa, Warwickshire. CV32 4LY



26th June 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

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	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Income							
Donations	3	16,809	(244)	16,565	74,832	25,662	100,494
Charitable activities	4	29,277	261,252	290,529	80,526	80,361	160,887
Investment income	5	47	533	580	248	188	436
Total income		46,133	261,541	307,674	155,606	106,211	261,817
Expenditure on							
Charitable activities	6	79,046	349,382	428,428	191,029	90,927	281,956
Total Expenditure		79,046	349,382	428,428	191,029	90,927	281,956
Net Income/(Expenditure)		(32,913)	(87,841)	(120,754)	(35,423)	15,284	(20,139)
Transfers between funds		3,925	(3,925)	-	15,273	(15,273)	-
Net movement in funds		(28,988)	(91,766)	(120,754)	(20,150)	11	(20,139)
Reconciliation of funds							
Fund balances brought forward		83,783	174,392	258,175	103,933	174,381	278,314
Total funds carried forward		54,795	82,626	137,421	83,783	174,392	258,175

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET

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		2024		2023	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	11		32,779		34,373
Investments	12		<u>101</u>		<u>101</u>
			32,880		34,474
Current assets					
Debtors	13	100,973		138,496	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>123,157</u>		<u>177,252</u>	
		224,130		315,748	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	<u>(102,089)</u>		<u>(64,547)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>122,041</u>		<u>251,201</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			154,921		285,675
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	15		<u>(17,500)</u>		<u>(27,500)</u>
Net Assets			<u><u>137,421</u></u>		<u><u>258,175</u></u>
Funds					
Restricted income funds	17		<u>82,626</u>		<u>174,392</u>
Unrestricted income funds	18		<u>54,795</u>		<u>83,783</u>
			<u><u>137,421</u></u>		<u><u>258,175</u></u>

For the financial year ended August 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 13th November 2024 and are signed on behalf of the board by:



Graeme Ludlow - Chair

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1. **Accounting policies**

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

General information and basis of preparation

Pure Leapfrog is a private company limited by guarantee registered in England and Wales. In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the charity. The address of the registered office is given in the charity information on page 1 of these financial statements.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011 and the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest pound.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis. The trustees have considered the business plan and forecasts for the Charity and believe that the base case should be achieved and provides a strong basis for our going concern confirmation. The Board also notes the additional value that is likely to accrue from Renewable energy assets (see note 11).

Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds is charged against the specific fund. The purpose and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Income recognition

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the group and the charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

If there are conditions attached to donations then income is deferred until those conditions are fully met or the fulfilment of those conditions is within the control of the charity and it is probable that they will be fulfilled.

Trading income includes consultancy fee income. No income is recognised when the charity acts as agent and purchases carbon credits for other companies. Any fee charged for the service is recognised as income.

The group receives both corporate and individual donations. These are recognised once the amount has been received or entitlement confirmed. The income and expenditure for these donations will be

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classified as either restricted or unrestricted funds within the accounts dependent on the underlying conditions attached.

Expenditure recognition

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised when there is a legal obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs associated with the provision of services. It can be categorised under the following headings:

Support costs

Support costs are those that assist the work of the charity but do not directly represent charitable activities and include office costs, governance costs, administrative payroll costs. They are incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity and include project management.

The analysis of these costs is included in note 7.

Governance costs

Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs include costs related to the statutory audit.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost (or deemed cost) or valuation less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset on a systematic basis over its expected useful life as follows:

Computer equipment	over 3 years
Fixtures and fittings	over 3 - 5 years
Energy generating assets	over 20 years

Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible fixed assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss, if any.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest.

Purchase of carbon credits

The purchase of carbon credits are payments made in furtherance of the charitable objectives of the charity. The purchase of carbon credits are accounted for where the trustees have approved the purchase without condition and this intention has been conveyed to the recipient. Where a purchase

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of carbon credits is required to fulfil a commitment to a donor wishing to offset carbon emissions, a liability for such a purchase is recognised in the financial statements.

Carbon credits purchased on behalf of other companies are not accounted for where the charity acts as agent for these companies.

Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets, other than those held at fair value through income and expenditure, are assessed for indicators of impairment at each reporting date.

Financial assets are impaired where there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows have been affected. If an asset is impaired, the impairment loss is the difference between the carrying amount and the present value of the estimated cash flows discounted at the assets original effective interest rate. The impairment loss is recognised in income and expenditure.

If there is a decrease in the impairment loss arising from an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the impairment is reversed. The reversal is such that the current carrying amount does not exceed what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised. The impairment reversal is recognised in income and expenditure.

Derecognition of financial assets

Financial assets are derecognised only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or when it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to another entity.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade payables are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Classification of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the charity after deducting all of its liabilities.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the charity has an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount can be reliably estimated.

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Employee and retirement benefits

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense, unless those costs are required to be recognised as part of the cost of stock or fixed assets.

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the group and the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

Tax

The company is a registered charity and is recognised as such by HMRC for taxation purposes. As a result there is no liability to corporation tax on its charitable income.

2. Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the directors are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3. Donations

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Individual donations	3,640	857	4,497	11,416	1,269	12,685
Donations under Gift Aid	5,175	-	5,175	3,000	-	3,000
Corporate donations	4,191	-	4,191	13,337	-	13,337
Carbon Offsetting Fees	3,803	(1,101)	2,702	47,079	-	47,079
Philanthropic grants	-	-	-	-	24,393	24,393
	16,809	(244)	16,565	74,832	25,662	100,494

4. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Consultancy and events	18,774	246,366	265,140	71,856	80,361	152,217
Other income	10,503	14,886	25,389	8,670	-	8,670
	29,277	261,252	290,529	80,526	80,361	160,887

Of the income from charitable activities in 2024 £261,252 (2023: £80,361) was restricted income

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5. Income from investments

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Bank interest	47	533	580	1	182	183
Loan interest	-	-	-	247	6	253
	47	533	580	248	188	436

6. Analysis of charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Purchase of carbon credits	-	-	-	8,816	-	8,816
Other operating costs	400	74,292	74,692	15,400	720	16,120
Grants and related projects	-	95,000	95,000	1,808	-	1,808
Support costs (note 7)	11,818	25,298	37,116	10,037	2,615	12,652
Staff Costs (note 10)	57,925	154,792	212,717	132,151	84,973	217,124
Governance costs (note 8)	8,903	-	8,903	22,817	2,619	25,436
	79,046	349,382	428,428	191,029	90,927	281,956

7. Analysis of support costs

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Office costs	1,268	3,220	4,488	2,405	913	3,318
IT and infrastructure	683	1,621	2,304	164	22	186
Membership and subscriptions	1,085	1,169	2,254	3,254	400	3,654
Accounting fees	860	-	860	856	-	856
Travel and subsistence	1,155	6,640	7,795	1,778	1,303	3,081
Bank charges	661	(39)	622	1,678	(23)	1,655
Loan Interest Barclays Bank	824	-	824	1,073	-	1,073
Marketing/advertising	1,079	12,687	13,766	(4,504)	-	(4,504)
Depreciation	4,203	-	4,203	3,333	-	3,333
	11,818	25,298	37,116	10,037	2,615	12,652

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8. Analysis of governance costs

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Inspection / Audit fees	6,664	-	6,664	20,826	2,244	23,070
Insurance costs	2,239	-	2,239	1,991	-	1,991
Professional fees	-	-	-	-	375	375
	8,903	-	8,903	22,817	2,619	25,436

9. Net (expenditure)/income for the year

This is stated after charging:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Depreciation	4,203	3,333
Inspector's / Auditor's remuneration		
- inspection / audit of the financial statements	6,664	23,070

10. Staff costs and emoluments

Total staff costs were as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries – charitable activities	194,191	196,346
Social security costs	14,597	17,056
Pension costs	3,929	3,722
	212,717	217,124

Particulars of employees:

The average number of employees within the charity during the year, was 5 (2023 - 5).

The number of employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more were;

	2024	2023
	Number	Number
£70,001 - £80,000	1	1

Trustees' and key management personnel remuneration and expenses

The trustees neither received nor waived any remuneration during the year (2023 - £nil).

The total compensation cost of key management personnel is £89,717 (2023 - £139,408) which includes employers' national insurance costs and pension contributions. The trustees considers key management personnel to comprise the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operating Officer. No trustees are accruing pension benefits in the current or prior year.

During the year expenses reimbursed to trustees totalled £nil (2023 - £nil).

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11. Tangible fixed assets

	Energy Generating Assets	Computer Equipment	Total
Cost or valuation	£	£	£
At 1 September 2023	49,999	4,978	54,977
Additions	-	2,609	2,609
Disposals	-	(4,978)	(4,978)
At 31 August 2024	49,999	2,609	52,608
Depreciation and impairment			
At 1 September 2023	15,626	4,978	20,604
Depreciation charge in the year	3,333	870	4,203
Disposals	-	(4,978)	(4,978)
At 31 August 2024	18,959	870	19,829
Carrying Amount			
At 31 August 2024	31,040	1,739	32,779
At 31 August 2023	34,373	-	34,373

As noted in previous years, in 2018 the charity took in lieu of settlement of an outstanding loan, energy generating assets secured against that loan. The fair value of these, based on the net present value of the future income stream, is considered to be £113,934. The assets have not been valued to this amount, as income is not virtually certain because it is dependent on a number of variables. Under FRS102, unless the income is deemed to be virtually certain, the assets cannot be restated. However, the trustees believe that the valuation of this asset net of depreciation would result in £79,000 of unrestricted funds, which has not been included in these financial statements.

12. Fixed asset investments

	2024	2023
	£	£
Shares in subsidiary company	1	1
Shares in joint ventures	100	100
	101	101

In 2018 the charity invested £100 in Leapfrog Launchpad Limited, a joint venture in which it has a 33% stake. At the year end this entity was yet to commence trading.

On 30 June 2020, Pure Leapfrog Lilypad CIC was incorporated. Pure Leapfrog is the parent entity. The investment is being carried at £1.

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13. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade debtors	73,045	94,028
Gift Aid recoverable	813	1,348
Prepayments and accrued income	27,115	43,120
	<u>100,973</u>	<u>138,496</u>

14. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other loans (note 16)	10,000	10,000
Trade creditors	7,310	529
Taxation and social security	8,542	2,792
Other creditors	76,237	51,226
	<u>102,089</u>	<u>64,547</u>

15. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other loans (note 16)	17,500	27,500

16. Creditors – other loans

Creditors include loans which are due for repayment as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Amounts repayable:		
In one year or less	10,000	10,000
In more than one year but not more than two years	10,000	10,000
In more than two years but not more than five years	7,500	17,500
	<u>27,500</u>	<u>37,500</u>

The loan originating in 2022 is a COVID-19 Bounce Back loan of £50,000 repayable over 5 years with an interest rate of 2.5%.

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17. Restricted income funds

	Balance at 1 September 2023	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance at 31 August 2024
2023/24	£	£	£	£	£
British Airways Carbon Fund	131,303	(1,101)*	(94,918)	-	35,284
Carbon credit purchase	-	857	(43)	-	814
Warrington Community Benefit Fund	43,260	533	-	-	43,793
REWIRE	-		(7,259)**		(7,259)
Mersey Biochar	(171)	60,381	(56,285)	(3,925)	-
Warrington Digital Retrofit	-	117,753	(115,648)	-	2,105
Warrington Carbon Culture	-	40,058	(38,400)	-	1,658
Let Zero	-	43,060	(36,829)	-	6,231
	174,392	261,541	(349,382)	(3,925)	82,626

* The negative income of £1,101 against BA Carbon Fund is a write back of an accrual from a previous year

** The negative balance relates to a claim submitted in the year with income due post year end

	Balance at 1 September 2022	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance at 31 August 2023
2022/23	£	£	£	£	£
British Airways Carbon Fund	131,303	-	-	-	131,303
Carbon credit purchase	-	1,274	(376)	(898)	-
Warrington Community Benefit Fund	43,078	182	-	-	43,260
REWIRE	-	-	(2,244)	2,244	-
Mersey Biochar	-	80,361	(67,470)	(13,061)	(171)
Decent Homes	-	24,394	(20,461)	(3,933)	-
Leapfrog Launchpad	-	-	(375)	375	-
	174,381	106,211	(90,926)	(15,273)	174,392

British Airways Carbon Fund

The British Airways Carbon Fund represents donations received from British Airways customers through British Airways plc, which are to be used to reduce carbon emissions through community renewable energy and energy efficiency projects in the UK and internationally.

Carbon Credit Purchases

Money received and spent on carbon credits during the year to offset the carbon footprints of individuals, businesses and travellers.

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Warrington Community Benefit Fund

This is a fund established to deliver environmental and social impact that was established from one time donations made by Pure Leapfrog, Warrington Borough Council, and Gridserve Ltd, during the development of two ground-mount solar farms near York and Hull, owned by Warrington Borough Council. The fund will be fully granted to worthy projects over time, with no expectation of additional funds replenishing it.

Warrington Digital Retrofit (Retrofit For Lets)

A project funded by the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero, through the North West Net Zero Hub. Retrofit for Lets is demonstrating technology driven ways to engage private landlords with domestic retrofit and investigate new approaches to finance that could support private landlords in improving their properties. A research strand to this project is being led by ACE Research (part of The Association of Decentralised Energy), developing a business case to persuade landlords of the advantages to them of improving their assets.

Warrington Carbon Culture

An Innovate UK project showing how impactful a coordinated approach to delivering Carbon Literacy training across a whole borough can be. This project is engaging Local Authority staff, Parish Council Councillors and SME staff, delivering Carbon Literacy Training and creating Alumni groups as Communities of Practice.

Let Zero

An Innovate UK project that is developing a One Stop Shop for Private Landlords and their tenants to get all the support they need to investigate domestic retrofit, assess the potential of their property, receive whole house plans, finance information, and plug into the local supply chain of installers. A digital platform underpins a tailored customer journey that takes specific account of the needs and concerns of this sector.

REWIRE

An Innovate UK funded project to develop designs for Smart Local Energy Systems.

Mersey Biochar

A BEIS funded project exploring the feasibility for a Biomass Greenhouse Gas Capture and sequestration plant, that also produces zero carbon heat and flexible dispatchable power.

Decent Homes

Funding for this project was received from Dulverton Trust. This was to develop a new business model for Local Authorities to deploy to help retrofit homes of vulnerable people to be safer and more thermally efficient.

Leapfrog Launchpad

With funding from Joseph Rowntree, to develop new business models for community energy.

Transfers in fund

Transfers are made from restricted to unrestricted funds when the charity has met its obligations under these contracts and been paid for the contract. The transfers reflect the underlying overheads consumed within these contracts not just the direct labour and direct costs associated with the project.

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18. Unrestricted income funds

	Balance at 1 September 2023	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance at 31 August 2024
2024/23	£	£	£	£	£
General Funds	83,783	46,133	(79,046)	3,925	54,795

19. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Investments	Tangible fixed assets	Net current assets	Long term liabilities	Total
2023/24	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds	-	-	82,626	-	82,626
General unrestricted funds	101	32,779	31,789	(17,500)	47,169
	101	32,779	114,415	(17,500)	129,795

	Investments	Tangible fixed assets	Net current assets	Long term liabilities	Total
2022/23	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds	-	-	174,393	-	174,393
General unrestricted funds	101	34,373	76,808	(27,500)	83,782
	101	31,040	251,201	(27,500)	258,175

Company limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and there is therefore no share capital. Members' liability is limited to £1 per member. At 31 August 2024, there were 5 members.

Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions relating to trustees in 2024 or 2023.