

Company Registered Number: 8002182
Registered Charity Number: 1151055

PASTURES COMMUNITY

A Company Limited by Guarantee

DIRECTORS REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED

27th SEPTEMBER 2025

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Structure, Governance
& Management

Company limited by guarantee 8002182, governing document articles of association standard format from Community Matters, registered at Companies House and the Charity Commission for England and Wales (1151055)

Directors are appointed and re-elected as directed in the articles of association.

On appointment new Directors and Trustees are advised of their responsibilities, given copies of the articles, processes and procedures, Guidance notes from the Charities Commission and advice notes issued by Advising Communities.

Structure

- 3 Directors/ 2 Trustees: (may be same or different people) who have the final say on all organisational and financial matters;
- General Committee: up to 12 members including local council rep, local councillors (1), regular user groups rep (1), young person's rep. Residents Association rep. (1) and Community Members.

(Voting rights shown in brackets)

Vacancies exist for, local councillors (1), young person's rep. (1), residents associations rep. (1) and community members (3).

Objectives and Activities

- To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of NN2 and surrounding areas without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, nationality, race or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said inhabitants and the statutory authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure-time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants;

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- To establish, or secure the establishment of a Community Centre and to maintain and manage the same (whether alone or in co-operation with any statutory authority or other person or body) in furtherance of the Objects;
 - To promote such other purposes as are charitable according to the laws of England and Wales for the benefit of the public as may from time to time be determined.

The Charity shall be non-party in politics and non-sectarian in religion.

Public Benefit Statement

Statement:

The cost of living and energy have an impact on all members of society and placed a considerable strain on those striving to maintain charities and the buildings they are responsible for and this will continue for the foreseeable future. Covid and changes to Local Authority organisation still provide challenges.

The organisation provides a safe and secure building for a wide variety of clubs and groups. These include Residents Associations, Scout and Guides Groups, English and Maths education, dance groups for young people, Yoga and a pre-school. Slimming and exercise groups. There is no discrimination and we cater for all age groups in the NN2 and surrounding areas of Northampton. Children's parties, family parties, wedding receptions and christenings occupy most weekends.

Achievements and Performance

The challenge this year was to recruit more community representatives to the committee again this has proved difficult and generally unsuccessful. With council services and other charities looking for more volunteers they are becoming even more difficult to attract.

We have provided a safe centre and facilities as required and remained positive and financially sound.

The centre hosted 92 weekend events and have 18 regular user groups who meet on a weekly or monthly basis. Three new regular user groups started, Zumba, Pilates and Little Mess.

Guide Dogs for The Blind held an event at the centre.

An open day was held to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the opening of the centre.

The smaller groups at the centre still require financial support to continue. We still remain positive and promote the groups in the community. Enfold which holds a monthly session for adults with autism is well supported.

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The directors/trustees have covered the caretaking duties and management of the centre. During this period a tight control on the gas, electricity and water was maintained and all unnecessary bills e.g., tv licence cancelled. Energy prices remain high, and a new one-year contract agreed for 2025-2026. Hire charges are calculated for 12 months at the beginning of the year to maintain stable prices for the user groups. Contact with West Northants Council has been extremely difficult West Northants Council refused our application for the 20% discretionary charity rates relief and charges the charity £559 business rates resulting in less money being available for proposed projects.

The electricity meter has shown the same reading since July 2025 and no meaningful invoice has been received since then. Numerous calls have not resolved the problem and a high electricity bill is expected in the future.

Covid still has an influence on the number of regular user groups and the people attending. The first half of the year was challenging as the cost of living and uncertainty over the energy prices reduced peoples spending on parties and weekend events. Our more flexible approach for payment, allowing staged payments, led to an increase in weekend party bookings later in the financial year.

Bookings come from recommendations, the web site and four local noticeboards. The advertisement in the 'Around Kingsthorpe' magazine has also been worthwhile, a free half page article in the magazine spotlights one regular user group each edition.

The community noticeboards provide contact with the community have proved a success and more local voluntary organisations have posted notices. The noticeboard on the wall of the centre to advertise new groups is well.

Financial Review

Financially the company/charity is viable with day-to-day costs covered by income from regular user groups and advanced payments from parties. Paying business rates has caused problems and reduced funds for new projects. To better reflect the running costs staff expenses are calculated and transferred to the building fund each month. At present all work at the centre is covered by volunteers but this cannot be guaranteed and allowing for staff costs will avoid a shock should the volunteers not be available in the future.

Excessive use of the car park by footballers. Block access to the disabled spaces, access for emergency vehicles and people hiring the centre. Verbal abuse upsets the volunteers and the users of the building. For safety reasons it became impossible to hire the centre out on Sunday mornings resulting in a loss of earnings.

Generated income varies from month to month depending on school holidays as many groups only operate during term times but are sufficient for the centre to be self-funded and independent. Core user groups have remained steady and regular briefings and updates have maintained contact with them. A re-arrangement of funds and higher interest received has enabled us to give support to groups in financial need.

Hire fees were reviewed in December 2024 due to the increases in the cost of electricity and gas and business rates. To avoid deterring people from using the centre only small increases were charged from January 2025 and guaranteed not to increase before December 2025.

All costs are reviewed on a regular basis

The designated funds for building have been maintained.

Reserves Policy

It is the intention to ensure sufficient funds are available to cover future commitments and to maintain a general reserve of three to six months running costs. Reserves are used to smooth out monthly costs.

Risk Policy

Risk is managed by

(A) Loss of income: heating and lighting have been reduced to their minimum settings.

(1) All cheques require 2 signatures

(2) Internet banking is used for regular payments, utilities and refundable deposits

(3) Regular user groups and payments for events are encouraged to pay by bacs direct to the bank account thus reducing cash and cheque receipts.

(4) Cash is banked regularly and no money is left at the centre.

(5) The treasurer has full access to the internet bank account with the trustees having 'read only' access to monitor the account.

(6) Insurance cover is maintained for all liabilities.

The company has no debts. It has a policy of not taking out loans.

Plans for the Future

We remain in contact with all our user groups by email and personal visits. We provide help and support where necessary.

Further design work has been carried out for improvements to the building and park prior to local consultations. Trees and benches on the park have been delayed due to the funds being reallocated to business rates and refurbishment of the kitchen

The building fund has been maintained as a designated fund for future development.

Aims

To provide a building and surrounding park suitable for a wide variety of clubs, groups and local events, at affordable prices, to all sections of the community.

Main Objectives 2025-2026

Maintain the building and advance plans for increasing the facilities of the building and improve facilities on the park.

Make the centre more energy and environmentally efficient.

Maintain the financial stability of the centre.

Schedule of events will be issued following the AGM and first management meeting.

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Company special provision

The Report of the Directors has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Company law requires the members of the Board of Directors to prepare financial statement for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the income and expenditure of the Company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the members of the Board are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- Make adjustments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue its activities.

The Members of the Board are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They have a general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the Company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

Signed by the directors/trustees at the meeting 2nd December 2025

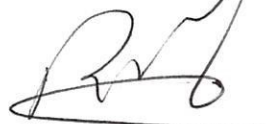
Julia Snedker

Director



Robin Marriott

Director



Registered Charity Number: 1151055

I report on the accounts of the Company for the year ended 27th September 2025 which are set out on the attached pages 9 to 16

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to an audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act:
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general directions given by the Charity 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 of 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

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

1. Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect, the requirements:
 - To keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities.have not been met; or
2. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Lorraine Scullion MAAT
8th December 2025

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 27th SEPTEMBER 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted 2025 £	Restricted 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted 2024 £	Restricted 2024 £
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies		1,091	-	1,091	1,399	-
Charitable activities	1	41,059	-	41,059	38,106	-
Investments		10,420	-	10,420	3,895	-
Other		-	-	-	-	-
Total Income and endowments		52,570	-	52,570	43,400	-
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds		-	-	-	-	-
Charitable Activities	2	16,612	-	16,612	20,016	-
Other		-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditure		16,612	-	16,612	20,016	-
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		35,958	-	35,958	23,384	-
Total funds brought forward		435,287	-	435,287	411,903	-
Total funds carried forward		471,245	-	471,245	435,287	-

All the activities of the charitable company are classed as continuing.

There are no recognised gains or losses other than those included in the Statement of

Financial Activities shown above

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AT 27th SEPTEMBER 2025

Company Number: **08002182**

	Notes	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2025	Total 2024
		£	£	£	£
ASSETS:					
Fixed Assets		-	-	-	-
Current Assets					
Debtors	4	2,038	-	2,038	1,903
Cash at Bank		470,664	-	470,664	436,496
		472,702	-	472,702	438,399
Creditors					
Amounts falling due within one year	5	(1,457)	-	(1,457)	(3,112)
		(1,457)	-	(1,457)	(3,112)
Net Current Assets		471,245	-	471,245	435,287
NET ASSETS		471,245	-	471,245	435,287

FUNDS		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2025	Total 2024
		£	£	£	£
Unrestricted					
General Reserve	6	9,609	-	9,609	6,072
Designated	7	461,636	-	461,636	429,215
		471,245	-	471,245	435,287
Restricted	8	-	-	-	-
		471,245	-	471,245	435,287

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 27th September 2025

The member have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 27th September 2024 In accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

(a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and

(b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have ben prepared in accordance with the special provisions of part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to charitable small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 2nd December 2025 and signed on their behalf



Robin Marriott Director

Julia Snedker

Director



The notes on page 12 to 16 form part of these financial statements

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 27th SEPTEMBER 2025

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) (102), 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in January 2015, applicable UK Accounting Standards and the Charities Act 2011.

The principal accounting policies of the charity are set out below.

Format

The company has taken advantage of the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 and presented an income and expenditure account in the form of a Statement of Financial Activities on the grounds that it enables the financial statements to show a true and fair view of the result for the year.

Fixed Assets

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost of all tangible fixed assets by instalments over the expected useful lives.

Stocks

Any stocks of cleaning materials and stationery held are valued at cost.

Incoming Resources

Income is brought into account on a receivable basis.

Investment Income

Interest is brought into account on a receivable basis.

Gifts in Kind and Donated Services and Facilities

Gifts in kind, donated facilities and voluntary help, are not included in the financial statements since it is not considered practical to quantify such income.

Resources Expended

Expenditure is stated inclusive of value added tax, and brought into account in the year in which it is due.

Designated Funds

Designated funds – these are funds set aside by the trustees out of unrestricted funds for specific future purposes or projects

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

Reserves

The current reserve policy is to maintain sufficient cash flow for known commitments, and the replacement of certain assets.

Risk

The Directors/Board of Trustees do not believe the organisation is subject to any substantial risk beyond those disclosed in the Annual Report and Accounts.

The organisation has insurance to protect it in the case of a claim.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	2025	2025	2024	2024
	£	£	£	£
Note 1 Charitable Activities				
Birch Hall Hire	24,499	-	24,499	23,311
Birch Hall refundable deposit	2,880	-	2,880	2,170
Highfield Room Hire	12,889	-	12,889	12,255
Highfield Room refundable deposit	791	-	791	370
Other	-	-	-	-
	41,059	-	41,059	38,106

Note 2 Charitable Activities				
Telephone	1,103	-	1,103	1,046
Equipment - incl IT	488	-	488	268
Licenses	434	-	434	387
Stationery/Postage	62	-	62	78
Advertising	1,544	-	1,544	600
Refunded Deposits	2,623	-	2,623	2,340
Other Expenditure	573	-	573	401
Premises Costs				
Cleaning	519	-	519	707
Insurance	820	-	820	722
Utilities	3,393	-	3,393	3,643
Water Rates	503	-	503	519
Rent/Rates	799	-	799	903
Repairs & Renewals	3,028	-	3,028	7,714
Governance Costs				
Independent Examination	350	-	350	363
Trustee Expenses	373	-	373	325
	16,612	-	16,612	20,016

Note 3 There are no employees at present
During the year the trustees received £nil (2024:£nil) remuneration .
The total expenditure reimbursed to the trustees amounted to £373 (2024:£325)

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	2025	2025	2024	2024
	£	£	£	£
Note 4 Debtors				
Trade Debtors	206	-	206	154
Sundry Debtors	394	-	394	376
Pre-Paid Debtors	1,438	-	1,438	1,373
	2,038	-	2,038	1,903

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Note 5 Creditors				
Amounts falling due in one year.				
Accruals	(537)	-	(537)	(566)
Deferred Income	(920)	-	(920)	(2,456)
	(1,457)	-	(1,457)	(3,022)

Note 6 Unrestricted Reserves	Opening balance 28.09.24	Movement In	Movement Out	Transfer between funds	Closing Balance 27.09.25
General Reserve	1,072	52,570	(16,612)	(32,421)	4,609
Operating Reserve	5,000	-	-	-	5,000
	6,072	52,570	(16,612)	(32,421)	9,609

Comparative:

Unrestricted Reserves	Opening balance 28.09.23	Movement In	Movement Out	Transfer between funds	Closing Balance 27.09.24
General Reserve	5,884	43,400	(20,016)	(28,196)	1,072
Operating Reserve	5,000	-	-	-	5,000
	10,884	43,400	(20,016)	(28,196)	6,072

Note 7 Designated Funds	Opening balance 28.09.24	Movement In	Movement Out	Transfer between funds	Closing Balance 27.09.25
New Building Fund	429,215	-	-	32,421	461,636
	429,215	-	-	32,421	461,636

Comparative:

Designated Funds	Opening balance 28.09.23	Movement In	Movement Out	Transfer between funds	Closing Balance 27.09.24
New Building Fund	401,019	-	-	28,196	429,215
	401,019	-	-	28,196	429,215

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

Note 8 Restricted Funds

There are no Restricted Funds in 2025

Note 9 Ultimate Controlling Party

The company is under the ultimate control of its directors, and whose names are shown at the front of the financial statements.