



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date				Period end date			
From	Day	Month	Year	To	Day	Month	Year
	06	APRIL	2023		05	APRIL	2024

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

WADHURST WARRIORS

Other names charity is known by

N/A

Registered charity number (if any)

1152653

Charity's principal address

CARILLON COTTAGE, HIGH STREET, WADHURST

EAST SUSSEX

ENGLAND

Postcode

TN5 6AA

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Christopher Poulton	Chair		
2	Jamie Cates	Vice Chair		
3	Alastair Duncan	Treasurer		
4	John Belton	Secretary		
5	Paul Allen			
6	Michael Penfold			
7	Andrew Burnett			
8	Nigel Froggatt			
9	Oliver Orchard		From 3 rd October 2023	Quorum of trustees
10	Paul Beyer		From 3 rd October 2023	Quorum of trustees
11	Sam Maynard		From 3 rd October 2023	Quorum of trustees
12	Nick Craig		From 3 rd October 2023	Quorum of trustees

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
Not applicable	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Not applicable		

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

Name	Position
Not applicable	

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	CIO - Association (Dated 16 June 2013), Registered 02 July 2013
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected from the volunteer group - the charity has no formal membership

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Trustees

Trustees' responsibilities are laid down in the Charity Commission guidance and reviewed at each AGM.

The Trustees re affirm their duties at the AGM with the trustees' pledge.

The responsibilities of the trustees are confirmed in the constitution.

Information including the obligations and links to the relevant governance practices are issued to the trustees on application.

All trustees formally confirm their acceptance of their duties in writing.

Structure

The volunteers and trustees are bound by a code of conduct which is reviewed and re-issued yearly.

Relationships with related parties

The trustees monitor and regularly review relationships with related parties.

The Charity made payments to four (4) Related Parties this year, as permitted in The Charity's constitution and duly authorised by the board of trustees.

Transactions with related parties are declared full in the Annual Statement of Accounts.

Major risks

Risk is reviewed as required and are governed by specific policies, many of which have been updated over the last year.

No major or reportable risk were observed this year.

Section C	Objectives and activities
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Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To further such charitable purposes for the public benefit as are exclusively charitable according to the laws of England and Wales as the trustees may from time to time determine.

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

Organise, manage and deliver village events - "Wadhurst Village events and festivals" - and raising money to provide grants and scholarships to local organisations and individuals in Wadhurst and the surrounding Parishes

The charity also supports village activities by coordinating and supplying volunteers.

This year, the main activities included:

- Running Wadhurst Bonfire & Fireworks 2023.
- High Street Christmas Lights & Tree - erected by the volunteer group for the people of Wadhurst and surrounding areas.
- Running a Santa Sleigh Run around the village.
- Running Quiz Nights to raise money for the village and provide social interaction.
- Support was also provided by the charity to assist the Parish Council in the coordination of the Coronation celebration.

The Charity facilitates the ability for other local charities & non-profit groups to raise funds for their own causes at these events.

Provides hands on help, tools & materials (free of charge) for worthy village causes.

All the above provide public benefit by way of enhancing community relations, improving the quality of life, supporting those in need and promoting local cultural knowledge, history, tradition, and community experience to those who live in and around the village.

In planning each year's activities, the trustees review the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission at the Trustees Meetings.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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

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

Volunteer Contributions

All members and trustees volunteer their time (and some their tools and materials) free of charge to enable the activities detailed above to be completed.

Grants

On a quarterly basis (or on special request) and at the AGM, the trustees will determine the beneficiaries and proportion of the available funds to be awarded to local organisations through the charity's Helping Hand Grant, based on the merits of applications received. The decision to award is made by a quorum of 70% of the trustees exercising a simple majority.

In addition to simple grants, the Charity also awards "a scholarship" which is designed to provide financial support to enhance the prospects of an individual.

The trustees may elect not to make any awards within a financial year and "roll" the surplus to the following year, subject to the applications made in that year.

All awards are voted on by the trustees and recorded as resolutions.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

- Decoration of the village with Christmas Lights and two Christmas Trees, plus operation of a Santa Sleigh throughout the village – all undertaken by trustees and members as volunteers.
- Managed and organized the Wadhurst Village bonfire and fireworks display in November 2023.
- Ran quiz nights for the benefit of the community at a nonprofit basis.
- Supported the parish Council in providing a Coronation Village party.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The trustees have agreed to maintain a minimum reserve of £15,000 for the next financial, which is adequate to cover receipts and payments fluctuations and/or event loss potential.

This reserve will be maintained going forward, with excess funds being available for asset purchase, grants and/or local projects that have public benefit. The trustees will continue to review this policy annually.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

The charity does not own/or plan to own land or property or take on staff.

Funding is via donations and surplus money generated in the staging of activities/events for the Village:

1. **Donations received:** £6,722
 - a. A single donation was made of £4,000
2. **Grants received:** £14,000 from Wadhurst Parish Council
3. **Donations given (helping hand grant and Warriors scholarship):** £6,354

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Section F Other optional information

N/A

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Jamie Cates	Nicholas Craig
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	30 Sep 2024	30 Sep 2024

WADHURST WARRIORS

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF WADHURST WARRIORS

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2024 which are set out on pages 7 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustee of Wadhurst Warriors you are responsible for the reparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Wadhurst Warriors 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Wadhurst Warriors as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting 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.


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R T K Walsh FCCA
Manningtons
Chartered Accountants

39 High Street
Battle
East Sussex
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Date:.....01/10/24.....

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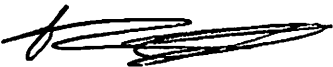

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total This Year	Reported Last Year
A1 - Receipts					
Event Sales		£ 21,220	£ -	£ 21,220	£ 38,293
Non-Event Sales		£ 418	£ -	£ 418	£ -
Donations & Sponsorship Received	6	£ 6,722	£ -	£ 6,722	£ 6,545
Grants Received	7	£ -	£ 14,000	£ 14,000	£ -
Sub-Total		£ 28,360	£ 14,000	£ 42,360	£ 44,838
A2 - Asset Sales					
Asset Sales		£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Sub-Total		£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Total Receipts		£ 28,360	£ 14,000	£ 42,360	£ 44,838
A3 - Payments					
Event Costs		£ 19,881	£ 14,107	£ 33,988	£ 42,343
Governance, Fees & Insurance		£ 381	£ 1,065	£ 1,446	£ 1,552
Donations Made	8	£ 6,354	£ -	£ 6,354	£ 4,324
Grants Returned		£ -	£ 824	£ 824	£ -
Sub-Total		£ 26,616	£ 15,996	£ 42,612	£ 48,219
A4 - Asset and Investment Purchases					
Marquees		£ 2,675	£ -	£ 2,675	£ -
Gas BBQ		£ 700	£ -	£ 700	£ -
Sub-Total		£ 3,375	£ -	£ 3,375	£ -
Total Payments		£ 29,991	£ 15,996	£ 45,987	£ 48,219
Net Receipts/(Payments)		£ (1,631)	£ (1,996)	£ (3,627)	£ (3,381)
A5 - Transfer Between Funds	9	£ (2,500)	£ 2,500	£ -	£ -
A6 - Opening Balance 01 Apr 2023		£ 35,150		£ 35,150	£ 38,531
Closing Balance 31 Mar 2024		£ 31,019	£ 504	£ 31,523	£ 35,150

ASSETS & LIABILITIES

Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total This Year	Reported Last Year
B1 - Cash Funds				
Current Account	£ 31,019	£ 504	£ 31,523	£ 35,150
Savings Account	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Petty Cash	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Total Cash Funds	£ 31,019	£ 504	£ 31,523	£ 35,150
B2 - Other Monetary Assets				
n/a	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Total Other Monetary Assets	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
			Applicable Fund	Estimated Current Value
B3 - Investment assets				
n/a			n/a	£ -
Total Investment Assets				£ -
B4 - Assets Retained for the Charity's Own Use				
Marquees & Gazeebos			Unrestricted	£ 2,100
Catering Equipment (BBQ, Pans, Utensils, Bain-Marie, etc.)			Unrestricted	£ 645
Misc. Event Equipment (Tables, Signs, Bins, Fencing, High Vis, etc.)			Unrestricted	£ 275
Non-Event Equipment (Clothing, Donation Pots, etc.)			Unrestricted	£ 100
Wadhurst Village High Street Christmas Light			Restricted	£ -
Estimated Total Assets				£ 3,120
B5 - Liabilities at Year End				
n/a			n/a	£ -
Total Liabilities				£ -

The accounts were reviewed and approved by the Trustees at their meeting on: _____

Signed on behalf of the trustees:

Print Name	Position	Signature	Date
Jamie Cates	Chairman		30 Sep 2024
Nicholas Craig	Treasurer		30 Sep 2024

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - Part 1

1. Basis

These accounts have been prepared on a "Receipt and Payment" basis.

2. Accounting Policy

In Apr 2024, the Charity updated its' format for the Annual Statement of Accounts. This introduces additional Receipt & Payment categories, clear separation of Unrestricted & Restricted funds, an overview of the Charity's current assets, removal of internal fund transfers from the figures and the addition of notes to the Accounts. These changes have been implemented to ensure The Charity is reporting reliable, appropriate, and relevant information about the financial position, financial performance and cash flow of The Charity.

3. Funds

Unrestricted funds may be used at the discretion of the trustees in delivering the objects of The Charity through its' activities. The Charity maintains a single unrestricted general fund for the day-to-day running of The Charity.

Restricted funds may only be used for specific purposes. The only source of restricted funds for FY23-24 are three grants from the local Parish Council, awarded to fund (either in full or in-part) three separate events. Any unused monies are returned to the Parish Council once the accounts for a particular event are finalised.

The Charity does not have any Endowment funds.

4. Guarantees & Debts

The Charity has not given any guarantees in FY23-24.

The Charity does not have any debts secured by a charge on assets.

5. Trustee Remuneration

No Trustees received any remuneration in FY23-24 and the Charity did not pay any Trustee expenses during FY23-24.

The Charity made payments to four (4) Related Parties FY23-24, as permitted in The Charity's constitution.

Payments totalling £15,330 were made to Meteor Fireworks Ltd. for provision of two professional fireworks displays in May 2023 & November 2023 and advanced purchase of stock for November 2024. Paul Allen, a trustee of The Charity, is a director of this company. The remaining Trustee's consider the amount charged by Meteor Fireworks Ltd. to be significantly less than the applicable market rate for the specification of the displays provided in 2023 and to be provided in 2024.

Payments totalling £1,592 were made to Longridge Print Ltd. for supply of custom printed goods. Michael Penfold, a trustee of The Charity, is a director of this company. The remaining Trustee's consider the amount charged by Longridge Print Ltd. for the goods supplied to be equal to the current market rate, were delivered expeditiously and made use of the company's specialist knowledge of The Charity's brand.

Payments totalling £2,935 were made to Samuel Maynard for supply of alcohol, miscellaneous food and catering sundries for two events. Samuel Maynard became a trustee of The Charity in 2023. The remaining Trustee's consider the amount charged by Samuel Maynard to be below the applicable market rate, achieved through trade discounts and sale & return terms.

Payments totalling £2,822 were made to NF Services for provision of materials, labour and specialist plant machinery with competent operator for two events in November and December 2024. Nigel Froggatt, a trustee of The Charity, is a director of this company. The remaining Trustee's consider the amount charged by NF Services to be below the applicable market rate, achieved through trade discounts and supply of competent operators without charge.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - Part 2

Breakdown amounts given below in Note 6-8 are totals of receipts and payments from this financial year only and may not reflect the total amount received or paid by the charity for each individual donation, grant or sponsorship.

	Quantity of Transactions	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total This Year
6. Donations & Sponsorship Received in Year				
The Ian Maidens Charitable Trust	x1	£ 4,000	£ -	£ 4,000
Southern Co-Op Neighbourly Scheme	x1	£ 1,000	£ -	£ 1,000
Thos Birch Libations Ltd	x2	£ 400	£ -	£ 400
Private Individuals	x5	£ 975	£ -	£ 975
Ad-Hoc Event Donations	x1	£ 347	£ -	£ 347
Total		£ 6,722	£ -	£ 6,722
7. Grants Received in Year				
Wadhurst Parish Council - Kings Coronation	x1	£ -	£ 7,500	£ 7,500
Wadhurst Parish Council - Fireworks 2023	x1	£ -	£ 5,000	£ 5,000
Wadhurst Parish Council - Xmas Lights 2023	x1	£ -	£ 1,500	£ 1,500
Total		£ -	£ 14,000	£ 14,000
8. Donations Made in Year				
Local Parent Toddler Group	x2	£ 1,650.00	£ -	£ 1,650
Wadhurst PTA	x2	£ 1,951.00	£ -	£ 1,951
Stonegate PTA	x2	£ 1,000.00	£ -	£ 1,000
Wadhurst 1st Responder	x1	£ 1,314.00	£ -	£ 1,314
Wadhurst Institute, Hall and Field	x1	£ 439.00		£ 439
Total		£ 6,354	£ -	£ 6,354
9. Transfers Between Funds				

The Charity received £2,500 in FY22-23 as part of a local Parish Council grant for running an event for the King's Coronation. This was not identified as Restricted Funds in the FY22-23 Statement of Accounts. The full amount has been transferred to the appropriate restricted fund to correct this.