



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date			T o	Period end date		
	From						
	1	November	2023		31st	October	2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Bilsdale Agricultural Show Society

Other names charity is known by

Bilsdale Agricultural Show

Registered charity number (if any)

1156940

Charity's principal address

Raisdale Mill

Chop gate, Middlesbrough

North Yorkshire

Postcode

TS9 7JG

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	David William Sanderson			
2	Natalie Lisa Roberts	Treasurer		
3	Peter John Smith	Chairman		
4	Joanne Elizabeth Yates			

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser

Name

Address

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

N/A

Section B

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

Constitution

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Appointed by committee

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.

The Charity operates with the support of volunteers only. The Committee is 14 strong and includes 5 Trustees and 20 volunteers.

People contribute their time, resources, effort and skill to put on an annual agricultural show for the benefit of the public, local businesses and the residents of Bilsdale.

The Committee meet on a regular basis to discuss and agree actions, policies and procedures.

Policies currently include, Safeguarding, Financial controls, Health and Safety, Trade and Commercial.

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To promote and advance, for the benefit of the public, agriculture, horticulture and rural crafts, in all their branches, by holding an annual agricultural show.

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)

The committee provide facilities for livestock, rural activities, crafts and skills to be promoted and safely enjoyed by the public.

We also work with local businesses and organisations, who set up stalls to sell and promote a wide range of goods and services.

The public benefits from watching and participating in, sports, competitions, demonstrations of crafts, sheep shearing and sheep dog handling, horse riding, dog handling, received advice about the environment, recycling and conservation projects being promoted in Bilsdale and the surrounding National Park.

The show also promotes our heritage through music, local history and a range of fun activities for all ages.

Farming activities are always well supported by local farmers from Bilsdale and beyond.

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.

The Bilsdale Agricultural Show Society raises money on the day of the show for a selected charity.

Our chosen charity works on the show day to raise funds and supports the show committee, for example selling Show catalogues and giving directions to the public.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Chairmans report 2024 Show;

We held another very successful show on the 31st of August this year.

The event ran smoothly. The financial outcome was good, resulting in a small overall profit of a little over £3000.

We were very sorry not to have Anne and John Rees as our show presidents due to Johns very sad and untimely death just a few days before the show.

Attendance was good and we had to open the second car park early in the afternoon. The weather was happily in our favour, neither too hot or too cold, although oddly at 08.30 in the morning the temperature on the field was minus 1 degree.

I wish to thank everyone for leading their sections in an exemplary manner. It would not be possible to hold the show without the hard work of the committee and indeed all the volunteers and traders. Thank you also to the enthusiastic team from our annual Charity, Guide Dogs for the Blind. They did a great job welcoming visitors and hopefully raised lots of money to support their excellent work.

Feedback from people leaving the show was extremely positive, many saying they would be back next year.

As I will now be resigning and handing over the role of Chairperson to Trudy Sanderson I would like to thank everyone for their support over the last five years.

Peter Smith

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Bilsdale Agricultural Show Society reserve is held in a business bank account and used to pay for any necessary capital investment.

In addition to this we hold a linked but separate current Community account for the purpose of setting up and running the annual show. Money will be transferred from the current account into our reserve account when the balance exceeds the amount required for the running of the annual show. This will be reviewed on an ongoing basis by the treasurer and any transfers agreed by the trustees and committee.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

We have no funds in deficit.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Our Primary source of income is from entry ticket / gate sales on show day.

In addition we receive donations from individuals involved in the show for example; competitors and local residents.

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Section F

Other optional information

There will be a number of changes to the committee this year, with a few leaving to pursue other activities and happily some new faces joining the team. A full list of members is available from the new Chairperson.

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)

Natalie Roberts

Peter Smith

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Treasurer

Chairman

Date

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