

Charity Number: 1166682

HorseHeard

**Accounts
for the year ended
31st March 2024**

**Wenn Townsend
Chartered Accountants
Oxford**

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Chair: Tom Meynell (appointed as chair 17 Nov 2023)

Trustees: Heather Hardy (resigned as chair 17 Nov 2023)
Rosalie Millard Evans
Caroline Brown (resigned 30 Jun 2023)
Andrea Winfield
Edward MacFarlane

Registered Charity Number: 1166682

Registered Address: 30 St Giles'
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Independent Examiners: Wenn Townsend Chartered Accountants
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Trustees' Report
for the year ended 31st March 2024

Reference and administrative details

These are shown on page 1.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The charity is controlled by its governing document and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The charity trustees are the only voting members of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and these are selected by the other trustees and CEO.

Trustees and Management

The charity is governed by a Management Committee of five Trustees, CEO and independent non-executive: Tom Meynell (Chair/Finance); Heather Hardy; Rosalie Millard Evans, Andrea Winfield and Ed MacFarlane.

The Charity continues to have two Patrons: Mary Wanless international coach and author of 'Ride with your Mind' and John Peters squadron leader RAF rtd.

The Management Committee meet formally on a quarterly basis, via video conference due to being based in different locations around the UK.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The NHS as a delivery partner brings a unique set of uncertainties in relation to decision making and engagement in activities outside of business as usual. The charity as always remains flexible and accommodating of changes in delivery targets, and supporting partner internal decision making processes.

Objectives, Activities and Public Benefit

Objectives

The Trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in carrying out the charity's objectives. The objects are to promote positive emotional health and well-being for children, young people and adults in need through equine facilitated learning, so as to improve their quality of life.

In the case of young people this will enable them to increase their confidence and emotional resilience and succeed in their education, helping to reduce behavioural and bullying incidents and mental health issues.

In the case of adults in need, our work supports Forces Veterans, NHS staff and general wellbeing of adults, enabling them to develop their emotional resilience, manage their emotions, have time out and a chance for reflection.

This is consistently achieved through the charity's provision of Equine Facilitated Learning (EFL).

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Trustees' Report (continued) for the year ended 31st March 2024

Activities

1. Deliver evidence based and quality assured HorseHeard sessions and Programmes to children, young people and adults in need, locally, nationally and internationally,
2. Secure funding through grants, CSR sponsorship packages, fundraising activities, regular donations (Friends of HorseHeard) and ad-hoc donations,
3. Operate with a confident strategic Management Team and operational Support Team, with a HorseHeard Community of trained EFL deliverers & volunteers,
4. Develop Strategic Partnerships,
5. Promote HorseHeard and existing EFL programmes throughout the country and devise bespoke EFL programmes for new client groups as required.

Development of the Charity is currently carried out on a voluntary basis.

The CEO and support staff are contracted in connection to project delivery and as such are self-employed with most of the delivery engaged on a volunteer basis.

Achievements

HorseHeard provided support to NHS Staff and children through the Paediatric pathway and Camp Simcha.

Plans for Future Periods

HorseHeard has responded to new opportunities to meet the emerging mental health needs of health care staff and their communities as a consequence of the pandemic. EFL sessions have been delivered to frontline staff from Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust and a large trial pilot to support children on the paediatric pathway.

Financial review

The Statement of Financial Activities, set out on page 6, reflects all income receivable in the year. The deficit for the year was £36,446 (2023: deficit of £15,024). This includes £nil (2023: £72,932) of net income from donations into restricted funds.

Principal sources of funding

The principal source of funds to date has been local fundraising and traded income from delivery of wellbeing work. Public donations have subsidised delivery of HorseHeard programmes for vulnerable groups to meet the charity objectives

NHS Charities Together provided core support for NHS staff and vulnerable children in the NHS.

Reserves Policy

The Charity has a reserve policy of £5,000. This covers the minimum expenses required to keep the charity running between projects on the basis other payments are project related.

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Trustees' Report (continued) for the year ended 31st March 2024

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities with regard to accounts

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom accounting standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In preparing those accounts the Trustees are required to:

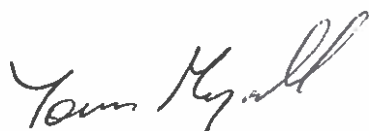
- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- Observe the methods and principles in the charities SORP.
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts.
- Prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities SORP 2019. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as the Trustees are aware:

- There is no relevant independent examination information of which the charity's examiners are unaware.
- They have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant examination information and to establish that the charity's examiner are aware of that information.

On behalf of the board



**Tom Meynell
Chair**

Date: 9th January 2025

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Independent examiner's Report to the members of HorseHeard

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2024 which are set out on pages 6 to 14.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2) the accounts do not accord with those records.
- 3) the accounts do 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 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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Date 10 January 2025

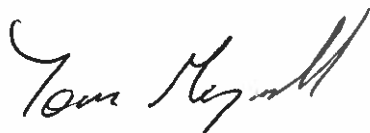
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Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31st March 2024

		Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Income	Note						
Grants and donations	3	1,728	-	1,728	1,850	72,932	74,782
Income from charitable activities Equine Programmes	4	11,000	-	11,000	6,600	-	6,600
Bank Interest		588	-	588	25	-	25
Total income		<u>13,316</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,316</u>	<u>8,475</u>	<u>72,932</u>	<u>81,407</u>
Expenditure							
Expenditure on charitable activities	6	15,151	34,611	49,762	12,146	84,285	96,431
Total expenditure		<u>15,151</u>	<u>34,611</u>	<u>49,762</u>	<u>12,146</u>	<u>84,285</u>	<u>96,431</u>
Net (expenditure)		<u>(1,835)</u>	<u>(34,611)</u>	<u>(36,446)</u>	<u>(3,671)</u>	<u>(11,353)</u>	<u>(15,024)</u>
Net movement in funds		<u>(1,835)</u>	<u>(34,611)</u>	<u>(36,446)</u>	<u>(3,671)</u>	<u>(11,353)</u>	<u>(15,024)</u>
Total funds brought forward		<u>17,847</u>	<u>34,611</u>	<u>52,458</u>	<u>21,518</u>	<u>45,964</u>	<u>67,482</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>16,012</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,012</u>	<u>17,847</u>	<u>34,611</u>	<u>52,458</u>

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Balance Sheet
at 31st March 2024

		2024 £	£	2023 £	£
Current assets					
Debtors	7	8,500		3,000	
Cash at bank and in hand		9,024		54,852	
		<u>17,524</u>		<u>57,852</u>	
Current liabilities					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>(1,512)</u>		<u>(5,394)</u>	
Net current assets			16,012		52,458
Net assets			<u>16,012</u>		<u>52,458</u>
Reserves					
Unrestricted funds	9		16,012		17,847
Restricted funds	9		-		34,611
			<u>16,012</u>		<u>52,458</u>

These accounts were approved by the Board of Trustees on 9th January 2025 and signed on its behalf by



Tom Meynell
Chair

The notes on pages 8 to 14 form part of these accounts.

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

1. Summary of significant accounting policies

Basis of preparation and assessment of going concern

Horseheard is a charity in the United Kingdom. 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 issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis 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 £.

The significant 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.

Income recognition

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when 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.

For donations to be recognised the charity will have been notified of the amounts and the settlement date in writing. If there are conditions attached to the donation and this requires a level of performance before entitlement can be obtained, 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.

Grant income is recognised as receivable subject to fulfilment of any associated conditions. Where conditions have been met or are likely to be met, grant income is recognised in full.

Expenditure recognition

All expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive 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. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

Charitable activity costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the Charity. Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the Charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

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Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31st March 2024

1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Unrestricted funds

A general fund which the Trustees may use for the furtherance of the objects of the charity at their discretion.

Restricted funds

These are subject to specific conditions imposed by the donor, which are legally binding upon the Trustees.

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for goods sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

Trade creditors

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of charitable activities from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the charity does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at the transaction price.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash in hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the Trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The Trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months. They have concluded that the budgeted income and expenditure is sufficient with the level of reserves held for the charity to be able to continue as a going concern.

2. Trustees' remuneration and benefits

No Trustee received remuneration in the period for work done as a Trustee, however, paid freelance facilitator work was carried out by Heather Hardy for a total of £500 (2023: £2,854).

Trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31st March 2024 were £nil (2023: £367).

There were no paid employees during the year (2023 – Zero) most of the work is delivered on a voluntary basis.

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Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31st March 2024

3. Grants & Donations

	2024 £	2023 £
Donations	1,728	1,224
Gift Aid	-	626
Grants	-	72,932
	<u>1,728</u>	<u>74,782</u>

Included in grants for the current year zero restricted funds (2023: £72,932).

4. Income from charitable activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Equine Facilitated Learning programmes:		
Being Friends	2,500	3,100
Stablemates	-	500
Adult Wellbeing projects	-	3,000
Child Neurodiverse projects	8,500	-
	<u>11,000</u>	<u>6,600</u>

5. Charitable expenditure

The charity only undertakes direct charitable activities and does not make grant payments.

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Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31st March 2024

6. Expenditure on charitable activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Project management	14,500	25,500
Facilitator fees	10,675	29,547
Over/(under accrual) of facilitator fees	200	-
Venue fees	5,600	10,457
Horse handler fees	-	150
DBS Checks	-	450
Equipment	295	4,026
Advertising & Promotion	540	
Honorarium	-	600
Finance Admin	3,075	7,650
Web hosting/IT costs	196	826
Computer software	114	114
Consultancy fees	10,860	13,250
Insurance	2,804	2,607
Staff Training	-	367
Paypal Fees	3	47
Over/(under accrual) of accountancy fees	-	120
Accountancy fee	900	720
	<u>49,762</u>	<u>96,431</u>

7. Debtors:

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade Debtors	8,500	3,000
	<u>8,500</u>	<u>3,000</u>

8. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Creditors	612	4,674
Accruals	900	720
	<u>1,512</u>	<u>5,394</u>

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Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31st March 2024

9. Analysis of charitable funds

	At 1st April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31st March 2024 £
Unrestricted	17,847	13,316	(15,151)	16,012
Restricted				
Covid-19 support to NHS staff and vulnerable children in Buckinghamshire	34,611	-	(34,611)	-
	<u>52,458</u>	<u>13,316</u>	<u>(49,762)</u>	<u>16,012</u>
	At 1st April 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31st March 2023 £
Unrestricted	21,518	8,475	(12,146)	17,847
Restricted				
Covid-19 support to NHS staff and vulnerable children in Buckinghamshire	45,964	72,932	(84,285)	34,611
	<u>67,482</u>	<u>81,407</u>	<u>(96,431)</u>	<u>52,458</u>

NHS Charities Together fund description – The NHS CT grant was also awarded for Covid-19 support to NHS staff and vulnerable children in Buckinghamshire. The NHS charities together fund provided a grant of £72,932 in the year ended 31st March 2023 and no further grant was received in the year ended 31st March 2024.

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Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31st March 2024

10. Summary of Net Assets by Funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
2024			
Current Assets	17,524	-	17,524
Current Liabilities	(1,512)	-	(1,512)
	<u>16,012</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,012</u>
	<u><u>16,012</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>16,012</u></u>
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
2023			
Current Assets	18,809	39,043	57,852
Current Liabilities	(962)	(4,432)	(5,394)
	<u>17,847</u>	<u>34,611</u>	<u>52,458</u>
	<u><u>17,847</u></u>	<u><u>34,611</u></u>	<u><u>52,458</u></u>

11. Related Party Transactions

The charity received donation of £135 from trustee's member during the year to 31st March 2024 (2023- £180).

Freelance facilitator work was carried out by a close family member of a trustee for £550 during the year.

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Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March 2024

	2024	2023
Income		
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Equine Programmes	11,000	6,600
Bank Interest	588	25
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Expenditure		
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Consultancy fees	10,860	13,250
Insurance	2,804	2,607
Staff Training	-	367
Paypal Fees	3	47
Over/(under accrual) of accountancy fees	-	120
Accountancy fees 2024	900	720
	<u>49,762</u>	<u>96,431</u>
Total Expenditure	(49,762)	(96,431)
Deficit for the year	<u>(36,446)</u>	<u>(15,024)</u>