



Charity no. 1171526

Annual Report 2024/25

An Introduction from our chair of trustees

This year has been one of growth, resilience, and deepening impact for Nurture Through Nature. Our commitment to sustainability has taken a significant step forward through our partnership with FareShare, culminating in the introduction of the Ridan composter in September 2024. This innovative system allows us to process food waste unfit for human consumption, transforming it into compost that nourishes our growing plot.



Thanks to successful fundraising—through both grant applications and community-driven initiatives—we continue to be in a stable financial position, enabling us to plan confidently for the future. We've also expanded our volunteer base, particularly through new weekend sessions, allowing us to grow more food and reach more citizens in need of food support. Together, we are cultivating a stronger, more sustainable community.

Luke Ashby
Chair of trustees

Public Benefit

Nurture Through Nature aims to relieve poverty by donating fresh produce grown on our allotment plots with volunteers to local food banks and community kitchens. This year we donated our produce to Brighton Unemployed Families Centre, City Mission Food Bank and the Real Junk Food Cafe.

Activities

We continued to cultivate our three allotment plots at Natal Road allotments and to collect spare produce from fellow plot holders to add to our donations and reduce food waste.

We joined the community composting partnership with the Brighton and Hove Food Partnership and other local groups and were donated a Ridan Composter so that we can compost our green waste and receive out of date food from FareShare to compost. This keeps food waste out of the local refuse system and puts it to use helping us to grow more fresh produce. We also partner with FareShare to deliver our produce to food banks on an ebike that helps reduce environmental pollution and makes us more sustainable.



We continue to work with a large and varied group of volunteers from the University of Brighton, the local community and have hosted three employee volunteering sessions over the year. Our volunteer group comprises around 40 active volunteers.

Funders

We are grateful to the National Lottery Awards For All, Brighton And Hove Allotment Federation and the Yapp Charitable Trust for funding us this year and beyond.

Sincere thanks also go to all the donors, large and small, who have contributed to our ongoing fundraising campaign, launched in the summer of 2024.

The Need

The organisations that we donate to have all reported that the demand on their services continues and grows. All have reported shortages of donated food and pressure on resources so our contributions are very welcome.



Rising food prices, low wages and high rents have continued to put pressure on household budgets so that people continue to look for help to feed themselves and their families.



Our People

Trustees:

Luke Ashby - Chair
Julie Moase
Victoria Benson - treasurer

Staff

Nick Blewit - Gardening supervisor
Kate Honeyford - Administrator

Luke Ashby : Chair

Victoria Benson Treasurer

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Section A Receipts and Payments

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds £	Last Year £
Receipts					
Grants	3,000	8,650	-	11,650	9,950
Donations	1,497	-	-	1,497	-
	4,497	8,650	-	13,147	9,950
Asset and Investment Sales					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Total Receipts	4,497	8,650	-	13,147	9,950
Payments					
Wages	2,715	1,755	-	4,470	5,750
Facilitator Fees	6,300	3,000	-	9,300	9,300
Tools and Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
Seeds, Trees and Fertiliser	227	335	-	562	1,304
Advertising and Promotion	-	-	-	-	48
Postage and Stationery	6	-	-	6	5
Repairs and Maintenance	-	-	-	-	420
Rent	-	229	-	229	167
Insurance	-	389	-	389	743
Telephone and IT Costs	470	24	-	494	134
Training	-	-	-	-	-
First Aid Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
Accountancy and Book Keeping	360	-	-	360	360
Sundry Expenses	75	-	-	75	-
	10,153	5,732	-	15,885	18,231
Asset and Investment Purchases					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Total Payments	10,153	5,732	-	15,885	18,231
Net of (Payments)/Receipts	- 5,656	2,918	- -	2,738 -	8,281
Transfers Between Funds	-	-	-	-	-
Cash Funds Last Year End	11,236	-	-	11,236	19,517
Cash Funds This Year End	5,580	2,918	-	8,498	11,236

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Section B Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 March 2025

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £
Cash Funds			
Treasurers Account 1	499	-	-
Treasurers Account 2	7,999	-	-
	-	-	-
Total Cash Funds	8,498	-	-

Other Monetary Assets

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	Funds to which asset belongs	Cost	Current Value
Investment Assets			
	-	-	-


Assets Retained for Charity's Own Use

Sheds	Unrestricted	1,353	1,353
Polytunnel	Unrestricted	518	518
Community Hut	Unrestricted	6,000	6,000

	Funds to which liability relates	Amount Due	When Due
Liabilities			
Accountancy fees due	Unrestricted	373	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees:

Signature Print Name Date of Approval

	Luke Ashby	30/06/2025
	Victoria Benson	30/06/2025