

# Our Annual Report

2024/25



## Legal and administrative information

**Charity name:** Tuppenny Barn Education Limited  
(Company Limited by Guarantee)

**Charity number:** 1172846

**Company registration number:** 07593594

**Start of financial period:** 1st May 2024

**End of financial period:** 30th April 2025

**Trustees as of 30th April 2025**  
(also Directors under company law):

Tracie Bangert (Chair of Board)

Carla Allen

Jonathan Clark

Adrian Pert

Helen Penfold

David Holmes

Sarah Parker-Jervis (Board Secretary)

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Sally Taylor

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Arit Anderson

Richard Claxton GP

Gordon Roddick

**Registered address:**

Main Road, Southbourne, West Sussex PO10 8EZ

**Date of incorporation:** 6th April 2011

**Governing document:** Memorandum and Articles of Association

**Bankers:** National Westminster Bank PLC

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## In this Report

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 April 2025.

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**Photo** Raised beds in full bloom.

# CEO's report

I am delighted to share that our core education programme has supported 1,662 young people this year, through our wide range of activities and workshops. We also welcomed two new green horticultural therapy practitioners and delivered 106 Nature Nurture sessions benefitting 16 beneficiaries. Building on successful pilots, our new programmes – Sow and Thrive and Veterans Bloom – have flourished, with funding now secured to grow both initiatives further in 2026.

We reached an important milestone in our Transforming Tuppenny campaign, with £31,794 raised during the financial year, taking the total funds raised to £142,858 and a further

£195,000 pledged against a target of £736,166 bringing us closer to realising our vision for a new shop and community café. This will free up our facility to enable us to create more enriched learning opportunities for vulnerable young people, expand our green horticultural therapy offer and build an inclusive place for our community to enjoy.

Across the charity, there have been many other highlights worth celebrating, from the launch of our new website, to deepening partnerships, to the growing number of volunteers who continue to give their time, talent and energy to our mission. We were fortunate to be featured in the October 2024 issue of Gardens Illustrated when they highlighted 20 'Horticulture Heroes'

However, the environment in which we operate remains challenging. A recent Charity Commission report<sup>1</sup> highlights a significant financial squeeze across the sector, with the gap between income and expenditure narrowing by almost three quarters over the past two years. Charities have responded with resilience - adopting new ways of working, embracing technology, and diversifying fundraising, yet financial sustainability remains a major risk. Small charities like ours are especially vulnerable, as securing core, unrestricted, multi year funding continues to be difficult, limiting long term planning. We have also seen with the rise of AI used in fundraising this has had a significant negative impact within the charity sector. This has had a consequence of an inundation of applications to Trusts and Foundations thereby having extremely short funding windows making competition even tougher.



Despite these challenges, I feel immensely privileged to lead such an inspiring team of staff and volunteers. I am extremely grateful to our funders, patrons and supporters for continuing to believe in our work, helping us to meet the educational and wellbeing needs of vulnerable individuals, and creating an environment where people of all ages feel valued, supported and able to thrive.

**As we celebrate an incredible 20 years of Tuppenny Barn and mark the honour of recognition in the New Year's Honours List, this is a moment of immense pride for our entire community.**

It is also a moment of transition. At the end of April, I will be stepping down as CEO, and the Board has begun the search for my successor who will lead the charity into its next exciting chapter. I will continue to be involved in the charity, with a particular focus on achieving our Transforming Tuppenny goal.

As I prepare to hand over the reins, I do so with confidence that Tuppenny Barn's future is bright. With your continued belief in our mission, the charity is well placed to embrace new opportunities, deepen its impact and continue transforming lives for many years to come.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'M Haynes'.

**Maggie Haynes BEM, Founder & CEO**

<sup>1</sup>Charity Commission's 'Charity Sector Risk Assessment 2025' report.

Photo Maggie Haynes BEM, Founder & CEO

## Our vision and objectives

# Our vision is to be a beacon of sustainability for the community we serve

Inspiring children and young people to grow and eat healthy, sustainable food is at the heart of what we do. Tuppenny Barn offers exciting education opportunities and experiences for children of all ages, as well as engaging and informative adult learning courses and events. We provide a nurturing and enriching environment for visitors and a place of respite and safety for participants in our 6 green therapy programmes.

**We are on a mission to seed, support and share to achieve a sustainable future for all.**



## Our three charitable objectives are to:

### ► Provide opportunities for children to learn about growing and eating healthy sustainable food

We teach children and young people about growing fresh organic fruit, vegetables and herbs, the importance of sustainable living and the need to foster physical and emotional wellbeing. With our sustainably built education centre, on-site organic smallholding, and outdoor classroom, we are the only charity to provide this combined facility in a 50-mile radius.

As we are close to some of the most disadvantaged areas in the UK, we prioritise reaching children from disadvantaged backgrounds where food poverty, obesity and type-2 diabetes are of increasing concern. We also ensure that schools supporting young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) are encouraged to visit in the knowledge that Tuppenny Barn is accessible to all.

### ► Improve people's mental health and wellbeing through social and therapeutic horticulture

We use gardening to bring about positive change in the lives of people in West Sussex and Hampshire living with disabilities, ill health, or who face isolation, disadvantage, or vulnerability. Nature-based interventions provide proven positive benefits including a reduction in depression, anxiety and stress and improve individuals' physical and psychological health, communication and thinking skills.

We hold weekly Social & Therapeutic Horticulture (STH) sessions called Nurture in Nature, delivered by our qualified horticultural practitioners. Our beneficiaries are referred to us by a wide range of local NHS health professionals, including social prescribers. In 2024 we also introduced two additional programmes – Sow and Thrive and Veterans Bloom.

Photo Jane Gleeson with Sow and Thrive clients.



### ► Encourage local community engagement and participation in organised activities and volunteering

We offer a variety of volunteering opportunities for people to get involved in Tuppenny Barn, irrespective of age or physical ability. Activities include outdoor gardening fruit picking, preparing, and preserving in our kitchen courses, events, and locally driven sustainability initiatives.

We bring people together socially in an inclusive environment that fosters a sense of belonging and encourages collective and personal achievement. We always endeavour to use local suppliers to meet our charity's needs, and we collaborate with local like-minded organisations and help the community when the need arises.

Our CEO regularly visits and gives presentations to local community groups to raise awareness of our charity, what we do and how we provide support. We also extend an invitation to interested groups and organisations to participate in on-site 'Tea and Tour' learning experiences and run corporate volunteering days for local sustainability driven businesses.



## Our Principles and Values

- **We are inclusive.** We exist to support our local community, regardless of age, ability, economics, gender, religion, ethnicity, or any other factor.
- **We are sustainable.** Sustainability runs through all our activities; we strive to have the lightest possible impact on our local and wider environment.
- **We empower.** Through access to our site, we support those vulnerable members of our community through increased emotional and physical wellbeing.
- **We are caring.** We treat everyone with respect and kindness, sensitivity, integrity and honesty
- **We are positive.** We never stop believing in a better future for people and the planet.



**Photos** Adrian Pert, Volunteer, with newly purchased industrial wood chipper (top); Liz Pendry, Education Officer, on discovery of a caterpillar (bottom).

# Green shoots moments

## 2024/25



**£265,314**

Total income

**£214,090**

Total expenditure



**1,662**

Young people attended our food education workshops and activities – a 5% increase on the previous year



**7,679**

Hours of work our volunteers undertook working for the charity.



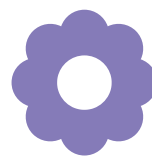
**106**

Nurture Nature horticulture therapy sessions undertaken for 16 clients



**20**

Families supported by our bumper Sunflower Young Carers Christmas dinner boxes, fifth year running.



**24**

Beneficiaries of our Veterans Bloom green therapy initiative across 3 workshops



**£31,794**

Raised for Transforming Tuppenny appeal.



**7**

Local Artists showcased in the 2025 Emsworth Arts Trail



**3,500**

Items made by our jammers and textile volunteers to sell in the shop

Covering the reporting period (1st May 2024 – 30th April 2025)

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# ...and more



- We welcomed **16 new volunteers** to the charity working in all aspects of our charitable activities
- We continued to facilitate our **'Sow and Thrive'** green therapy horticulture workshops improving life skills, knowledge, physical and mental health.
- Our CEO delivered **7 presentations** to community groups. We also held 4 tea and tours on site for WI and Gardening groups
- **£31,794 raised for Transforming Tuppenny** during the financial year, taking the total funds raised to £142,858 with a further £195,000 pledged against a total target of £736,166.
- Facilitated **4 outdoor gardening project days** and 2 CSR sessions for local companies
- We ran a successful community **Open Day** in June and a Christmas market in December. We also held our first Festive Wine Fair. In December we also ran a **Gardeners Question Time** fundraiser supported by 3 of our Patrons being on the panel.
- Five adult education **workshops** were run including Cyanotype Photography and Grow Your Own Vegetables for Beginners, The Magic of Compost, Border Design and Fermentation for Beginners
- We hosted a workshop for Chichester District Council **'Choose Work'** with 7 of their clients, 2 of whom went onto attend a later Sow and Thrive workshop.
- We participated in the **Fishbourne Literary Festival** with a produce stall.
- We held 2 successful **Plant Sales** in the spring and early summer.
- In April we took part in the fundraising initiative **The Big Give** and raised c£10,000.
- During the reporting period we **hosted various visitors** including Jess Brown-Fuller MP, Dr Tim Fooks FRCGP, High Sheriff of West Sussex, the Naval Families Federation, Goodwood Education Team, Louise Collins, Together our Community, Claire and Peter Parsons Trustees from the Lynn Foundation, all Trustees from the charity Gardening4Health, Directors of Gerald Mickelm Trust, Thorney Island Gardening Allotment Team, Anne Marie Flynn, CEO of New Park, Staff members of Sirius Analysis, Sally and Kate Davis – Mark Davis Bike

Ride sponsorship organisers, Tracey Cotterill Op COURAGE.

- **Our CEO visited the House of Commons** to participate in the All Parliamentary Horticulture and Gardening Group Launch of its report on working for the Environment.
- With funding from DEFRA, Farming in the Protected Landscape (FiPL) scheme, run by Chichester Harbour Conservancy, we were able to **renew our kitchen** linoleum, have new kitchen mobile units replaced, a hot water Quooker fitted and replaced more energy efficient fridges and a freezer installed. We also were able to upgrade our website going live in September 2024, also with FiPL funding.
- In October we had a screening of the award-winning film **'Six Inches of Soil'** with a panel that included the Director of the film and Harry Holt, Goodwood Farm, chaired by Sophie Robinson Brighton and Hove Food Partnership
- The CEO commencing attending the quarterly **Havant Military Partnership** forum meetings in addition to the West Sussex Military Partnership annual conference with an aim of promoting the Veterans Bloom sessions.
- The staff attended a **Breath Workshop** held on site run by practitioner Kim Prichard.
- Tuppenny Barn was used in May 2024 as a **Polling Station** for the Police Commissioner elections
- **Slow Grow Farm** and the **Deer Project** local businesses commenced attending the Thursday shop monthly.
- The Centre Manager ran a successful stall at the Chichester District Council **'Good Food For All'** event in Spring 2025.



Photos Dr Tim Fooks FRCGP, High Sheriff of West Sussex, visits Tuppenny Barn

## Our education programme

# Inspiring future generations

During the year, our dedicated, qualified and experienced education team, ran school, nursery and college visits and school holiday events, all designed to align with and enrich relevant areas of the school curriculum. Once again, we were fully booked during the reporting period and across our Children's Education programmes we welcomed 1,662 young people across the threshold. Primary school visits make up most of our visits, with the majority schools returning every year. Our secondary school visits always contain an element of cooking which supports the curriculum and our Fork-to-Fork workshops give students insights into seasonality and food miles.

Activities included those funded by West Sussex County Council, as part of the Department for Education's free Holiday Activities and Food Programme which enables eligible young people to

enjoy healthy food and enriching activities during the school holidays.

We increased participation for children and schools from economically deprived areas featuring within the local Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD), including SEND pupils and training for student teachers; all fully funded.

**1,662**

Young people  
attended activities  
and workshops

## Our site visits, workshops, and experiences

- Reconnect children with food, showing the importance of what they eat using horticulture and cookery activities.
- Foster a new generation of eco-stewards, through teaching the environmental benefits of organic and sustainable food production. This considers carbon reduction, water conservation, energy efficiency and the protection of wildlife and our natural world.
- Empower SEND and disadvantaged children with engaging, interactive experiences at our fully accessible site.
- Educate children about climate change and all other aspects of sustainability, highlighting the positive difference small individual steps can make to their lives.
- Give children crucial cooking and life skills, showing them how easy it is to grow their own food and feed themselves and others, now and in later life.



Photo Sunflower Baking Session.



## Children's Wellbeing Green Therapy Programme

Across our 3 programmes we had **572 young people attend the 50 sessions** that were facilitated. Our education practitioners completed their horticulture therapy training for young people at Thrive, the lead Horticulture Therapy centre of excellence for England and Wales. They have since implemented their training in their teaching practises and have established an allocated growing bed solely for the young people on our wellbeing programmes.

### Sunflowers

#### For young carers, Bourne Community College

Sunflowers allow young carers the time and space to focus on their own happiness and emotional wellbeing, helping them to forge strong friendships with the group.

We provide a nurturing, fun, experiential environment away from the pressures and responsibilities at home. The children learn about food, horticulture and wildlife and spend time outdoors engaging in activities like growing, cropping, cooking, arts and crafts, writing and mindfulness.

This green therapy programme has been run since September 2020 and has gained momentum in the past couple of years. The Sunflower external visits included a trip in July 2024 to Chichester Harbour to experience their Solar Boat courtesy of Chichester Harbour and their 'Get Afloat' fund. The Community Education Team at Pallant House Gallery organised a visit for the Sunflowers to view both the current exhibition and the permanent collection. For the majority it was their first visit to an art gallery. The Sunflowers also attended a willow weaving workshop on site facilitated by basket maker Jill Eatherden, teaching the skills of making a large Christmas willow star to take home.

*Two of the boys who attended from our school had experienced difficulties in their relationships in the classroom. Although they were both having similar experiences, they were taking them out on each other which was having a huge impact on the classroom dynamic. Their teacher chose to send them both together as part of the restorative work already taking place in school and this has certainly enriched their relationship by having a shared, common purpose which was valuable.*

Senior Leadership Teacher Bourne College



*Child A has grown in confidence – at the start of the term she was very anxious about everything and quite often teary at the start of the days. Over the term (in which she has attended Sunflowers) she has become more confident to speak out and less easily upset'.*

Teacher from Bourne College

The Tuppenny Community have also embraced the annual Sunflower Christmas Dinner Box appeal that we facilitate. Each family receives a bountiful box containing all that is needed for their dinner on 25th December including turkey rolls, Christmas puddings and an individual voucher for each child. With the Sunflower families undergoing many difficult challenges throughout the year, we know this initiative is extremely well received. We are hugely grateful to the local businesses that also help and support this Christmas appeal.

## Poppies

### Supporting primary school young people's wellbeing

Poppies progressed from a pilot in 2023, to being a formal part of our Children and Young People wellbeing projects this reporting year. Sixteen pupils from four local primary schools attend our Poppies group. Over several months, they attend a series of workshops, specifically designed for children with higher levels of anxiety and where conflict resolution may be required. The children spend time outside and learned new skills such as cooking, strengthening their confidence and resilience in a nurturing environment.

**The visits help to make them feel settled and special. They clearly loved every minute of their time with you all and enjoyed looking and learning and being outside with nature. This has led to them being less anxious and appearing happier and more confident in school."**

Testimonial from a recipient school



## Cornflowers

In September 2024 we launched a new pilot initiative with Park Community School, namely Cornflowers. The Cornflower group are a group of 12 Year 8 teenagers with additional needs who are part of a Resourced provision group. They all have Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCPs) which entitles them to tailored support as they need more help than is available through ordinary SEN support and would find it difficult to access the full school curriculum. They are taught partly in a specialist group, learning life skills alongside core education.

Their additional needs mean that they find change difficult and suffer from anxiety.

The Cornflowers have done a series of 6 visits building their confidence at Tuppenny Barn. We have offered a bespoke programme with lots of practical activities and 1:1 attention.

We've had a collaborative relationship with the school for over 10 years and continue to supply them with organic fruit and vegetables on a weekly basis. Park Community School is situated in an area classed as having one of the highest IMD within England and the school have 61% of their students entitled to free school meals. Previously we worked with a selection of their SEND pupils' pre-Covid however this new pilot is targeted specifically for smaller numbers and that have EHCPs.

Photo Sunflowers having fun in a gardening session.

The students in our Resourced Provision group find change difficult and so visiting new places and people can cause, at least, great anxiety. We were lucky to have Liz and Abi from the Education team, visit us in our environment before we met them at Tuppenny Barn.

As a small group, the students are fortunate to have lots of attention during their sessions which they thrive on. Revisiting Tuppenny Barn on a regular basis has created an environment where the students feel safe with its familiarity and the people. They love consistency and the sessions are similarly set up but with a different focus each time we visit.

The students love to cook and our sessions link where food comes from to what they are making. This gives them a range of life skills which with continuous use has made them confident to participate. They are very keen to share their experiences with other students and staff at school to the point that others from their year group have asked if they can join us!"



The Year 8 Park Community School teacher wrote:

Thanks to the continued generous funding by the Gerald Micklem Trust towards all three Children's Wellbeing programmes, we will continue all 3 programmes in 2026.



**Photos** Sunflowers exercising 'Fork to Fork' principle (top); Sunflowers to Chichester Harbour for Solar Boat Trip (bottom).



## Support

# Adult green therapy experiences

**Our therapeutic horticulture offering continued to flourish with three core programmes:**

## Nurture Nature

**We run two weekly Nurture Nature experiences at Tuppenny Barn welcoming eight people in each group.**

During the reporting period, we welcomed two new practitioners and delivered 106 sessions benefitting 16 people. This green therapy programme has now been running for 9 years consequently is well established and known within the various mental health and social prescribing networks locally.

Participants engage in a variety of food and flower growing horticultural tasks, tailored to their preferences and abilities, as well as creative and garden-inspired crafts such as wreath and card making. The produce, flowers and crafts created are shared with our clients, with some of the produce sold in our shop, or used by our jamming group to make preserves and other edible products. Seeds sown during sessions are used by our education team for school visits and our Poppies, Sunflower and Cornflowers groups.

### Building confidence and a sense of purpose

One of the clients who has been attending for several years has recently said that after several years of low mood and tearfulness she now feels back to her old self. The client would often be quite tearful in sessions especially if anyone asked how she was. Her confidence and sense of purpose have increased of late, and she now has a busy life of sport and different volunteering roles. She is also coming off anti-depressant medication because of her improved wellbeing.



The process of making beautiful products from natural materials is both absorbing and therapeutic, helping to ease stress and anxiety. Participants take pride in knowing that the food they grow, directly benefits the charity and visiting young people.

Being part of our community can be a life changing experience. We are proud to offer a safe, welcoming, and nurturing environment where people can heal, connect and discover a sense of belonging and acceptance.

*I feel part of a team and enjoy being sociable with other people and talking about everyday things. This helps me with my job and interacting with my work colleagues. Coming to Tuppenny Barn has always been my favourite activity and helps me recharge. Being involved in the construction of the raised bed gave me a feeling of accomplishment.'*

Nurture Nature participant

Photo Tulip bonanza grown by Veterans Bloom.



## Sow and Thrive

**Thanks to funding support from Chichester District Council, West Sussex County Council, and the Hyde Charitable Trust, our Sow and Thrive green therapy horticulture course supports vulnerable adults aged 19 and over.**

Designed for those with an interest in horticulture, the programme helps participants build life skills and knowledge, improve physical and mental wellbeing and for younger attendees, prepare for future employment.



We ran four courses during the reporting period, which offer hands-on activities such as practical gardening, seed sowing, and plant cultivation, alongside opportunities for tea, conversation, and friendship building. These experiences create a safe, supportive environment where participants can grow in confidence and connect with others with some joining as regular Tuppenny volunteers. One attendee has now found employment after being out of work for several years. Our next workshop over 8 weeks will be in March 2026.

**Photo** Sow and Thrive clients cropping.

*"Throughout the ten weeks, [the participant] really came alive. Since finishing his first year at college, he had become rather insular. His autism means that he does not make friends easily, nor does he volunteer to put himself in social situations. However, after every Sow and Thrive session, he was full of stories about the horticulture education he was receiving (he particularly had a lot to say about pruning!) and about the staff, of whom he is now very fond. He also took the opportunity to travel more, in addition to the travel to and from Tuppenny Barn, becoming more independent and confident on his own. We are so grateful to all the staff at Tuppenny for this excellent opportunity, which worked particularly well for his individual needs."*

Sow and Thrive referrer

*"I have never felt part of any community before, but Tuppenny Barn has given me this feeling of being part of one."*

Sow and Thrive participant

*"I have been able to interact with others outside better than in the past five years and have lessened stress levels a bit more."*

Sow and Thrive participant

### Growing the confidence to flourish

One young client attending our second Sow and Thrive course was initially extremely socially anxious and barely able to speak in sessions. She had recently ended a university course due to poor mental health. The Client gained much from the sessions and was very engaged in the learning, taking copious notes during theory sessions.

Over the weeks her confidence grew, and she was able to ask and answer questions in the group. Towards the end of the course, she attended a job interview and was successfully hired. She continues working in this job full time. She told us that attending the course and being accepted and welcomed gave her the confidence she needed to look for and secure a job.

## Veterans Bloom

**Generous funding from Armed Forces Covenant Charity and Sirius Analysis enabled us to run three of our Veterans Bloom ten-week courses in the reporting period.**

These bring together vulnerable female veterans, creating time and space outdoors together learning flower farming skills. Our veterans are referred by the Veterans Outreach Service, other military charities, health professionals, including social prescribers, GPs and psychiatrists, social and support workers or similar.

Veterans attending formed a strong cohesive and mutually supportive group and participants reported improvements to mood, reduced anxiety and a greater sense of routine and structure. They were keen to develop a WhatsApp support group to allow friendships to blossom and to provide a strong peer support group. One participant has even started her own growing project with Veterans. We are keen to grow the programme further in 2026.

'I can say it has meant so very much to me personally being part of Veterans bloom I arrive rather 'frayed around the edges' but leave with a spring in my step ready to tackle the rest of what each week holds which I can honestly say has been very challenging.

### I allow myself to be me

I arrive and it's as if everything that's going on in life is paused, left at the gate.

Enter Tuppenny Barn and a sense of worth, belonging encompasses me and I allow myself to be me, that it's ok if I'm struggling, or having yet another rubbish day. I don't have to explain or pretend which is appreciated so much, thank you doesn't seem enough!"

Female veteran

*'I am forever indebted to Tuppenny Barn for allowing me this experience and for giving me the opportunity to gain a new network of friends'*

Female veteran



Photo Veterans Bloom session.



# Tuppenny Barn community



## Investing in our Tuppenny Team

We continued to support our core team's training and development. This included attendance at a Healing conference run by the International Rescue Committee hosted by Bishop Luffa School, the LEAF (Linking Environment and Farming) conference and a South Downs National Park Network meeting. Staff undertook training in Growing Salad Leaves for small horticulture businesses at Trill Farm, DfE HAF training on safeguarding and booking systems, STH Practise, First Aid at Work, Using STH in Mainstream and Special Schools for Children and Young People with SEND, Prevent Measures and First Aid at Work.

## Open doors to our community

We ran several events bringing together members of the Tuppenny Community as part of our charitable objective to encourage the local community in various workshops that align to our core focus. These included Cyanotype Photography, Grow Your Own Vegetables for Beginners, The Magic of Compost, Border Design, and Wild Fermentation for Beginners.

**Our Patron Annie Guilfoyle also facilitated a successful fundraising Gardening Clinic Day last spring, alongside Garden Designer Amy Hannigan for keen gardeners within the community to learn from the experts.**

In June 2024 we ran a successful Open Day informing the local community on who we are, showcasing our work and how they might get involved including our volunteer programme. In December 2024 the planned Christmas Market nearly didn't go ahead due to the stormy weather and the need to dismantle the marquee normally used by our stall holders. Team Tuppenny however came to the rescue with both the polytunnel and portacabin areas being quickly repurposed, decorated and made available so the event could go ahead. We are delighted to report it was a resounding success with an increase in footfall.



**Photos** Distribution of Christmas Dinner Box Appeal to Bourne Community College (top); Gardeners' Question Time panel (bottom).



## Our supporters

The UK charity sector is facing a severe, multi-year financial crisis, described as a 'perfect storm' of rising operating costs, increased demand for services, and stagnating or falling income, according to the Charity Commission's 2025 risk assessment. It warns that although the sector is resilient, this 'triple threat' of pressures is leaving many, particularly smaller organisations, on the brink of viability.

**Against this backdrop we remain hugely appreciative of the support given to us by our Tuppenny Barn community which makes a significant contribution to our income.**

As in previous years grants from trusts and foundations remain our highest income stream equating to over **54% of our income**. We would also like to say a special thank you to our wonderful supporter, Jane Watt-Smith, who has been a regular supporter of our work now for many years and who always provides us with additional support when needed. She is a wonderful ambassador for the charity and continually encourages those that have yet to visit Tuppenny Barn to make that step.

We are also especially grateful for the continued support from our repeat funders including:

- **Awards for All**
- **Chichester District Council (CDC) & West Sussex County Council (WSCC)**
- **Chichester Harbour Conservancy FiPL**
- **Epigoni Trust**
- **Lynn Foundation**
- **The Southall Trust**
- **Fonthill Foundation**
- **Gerald Micklem Trust**
- **Southern Cooperative**

The **Gerald Micklem Charitable Trust** has provided funding towards our 'Sunflowers' programme for over 7 years and this financial year their funding enabled us to extend our 'Poppies' and contributed to the newly established 'Cornflowers' children's wellbeing programmes. On behalf of all the beneficiaries of these 3 programmes we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks for this funding.

Funding from **Chichester Harbour Conservancy FiPL** enabled us to upgrade our kitchen units used for the Fork-to-Fork cooking programme for schools and colleges and purchase white goods that needed replacing. We are grateful to the Conservancy for their continued support to the charity.

**6% of our annual income** is from individual donations made throughout the year, which helps support all our activities and programmes.

Donor	Amount
Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust (Pt2)	<b>5,524.20</b>
Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust (Pt3)	<b>613.80</b>
Anglian Building Projects	<b>1,250</b>
Chichester District Council	<b>24,211</b>
Chichester District Council	<b>6,676</b>
Chichester Harbour Conservancy FiPL	<b>2,260</b>
Chichester Harbour Conservancy FiPL	<b>5,133.95</b>
Chichester Harbour Conservancy FiPL	<b>3,267.75</b>
Chichester Harbour Conservancy FiPL	<b>4,076.21</b>
Chichester Natural History Society	<b>500</b>
Epigoni Trust	<b>10,000</b>
Fonthill Foundation	<b>5,000</b>
Gerald Mickelm	<b>10,000</b>
Gerald Mickelm	<b>15,000</b>
Grace Alexander	<b>7,500</b>
Hall and Woodhouse	<b>2,000</b>
Hyde Charitable Trust	<b>6,733</b>
Lyn Foundation	<b>25,000</b>
Lottery Awards for All	<b>20,000</b>
Margaret McEwan Trust	<b>300</b>
Southall Trust (Yr3 of 3)	<b>3,000</b>
Southern Co-operative Wellbeing Fund	<b>10,000</b>
Sirius Analysis Limited	<b>5,000</b>
West Sussex County Council (Pt1)	<b>12,041.50</b>
West Sussex County Council (Pt2)	<b>12,041.50</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>£208,930.41</b>

**A heartfelt thanks to all our supporters to what you have helped us achieve in 2024/25.**



## Our volunteers

We are privileged to have such a dedicated group of volunteers, both new and longer serving. We are deeply indebted to the time they give us, and we simply could not exist without their loyalty and commitment.

From supporting our education team, key projects and events, to tirelessly sowing, growing and nurturing our garden to jamming and making items for sale in our shop, they support every aspect of what we do at Tuppenny Barn. We are now fortunate to have a maintenance group of volunteers, who keep us in good working condition, saving the charity money that can be diverted to our core activities.

Our trustees, board secretary and patrons are also volunteers whose professional expertise and connections are invaluable in promoting and supporting our charity's work and growth.

In 2024/25, our volunteers gave 7679 hours of their time, making a vital contribution to the charity's achievements throughout the year and we were delighted to welcome 16 new volunteers.



**'When I think of why I volunteer at Tuppenny Barn I always come back to it being for the people I meet there. Besides all the environmental aspects of the charity, the contribution I can make personally, working with like-minded people, gives me a huge sense of accomplishment. The delicious homemade refreshments that we are given is also a motivation!'**

Tuppenny Volunteer

# 7,679

Hours of their time  
our volunteers gave  
in 2024/25

Photos Marie the gardener (top); Mike Tibble, Practitioner and gardening volunteer, trimming the hornbeam hedge (bottom).

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# Looking to the future

## Transforming Tuppenny



We appointed a new project manager during the period, Peter Beckett. With his help we continue to bridge the funding gap (£342,991.73) for a dedicated community café and shop at Tuppenny Barn, essential to supporting the charity's long term financial resilience and sustainability.

**We'd like to say a big thank you for all the contributions and pledges of support so far and particular thanks to the Bernard Sunley Foundation by increasing their pledge by £40,000 to £90,000 overall last year.**

Our facility will:

- Provide a supported environment where vulnerable adults and young people in the community can learn skills working in a shop or café.
- Enable us to relocate the shop to a permanent location, freeing up space within the centre for additional school visits and community hire.
- Increase overall activity space by 50% giving us more options for shelter in inclement weather.
- Increase and diversify the number of individuals benefiting from STH.
- Create four new staff roles and up to 12 volunteering opportunities.
- Provide work experience/accredited training for vulnerable or disadvantaged individuals.
- Provide a study room for our green therapy beneficiaries which can also be used for hire to the community when not being utilised for its primary role.

We are delighted that Transforming Tuppenny has been warmly received by the local community and that both West Sussex County Council and Chichester District Council are keen to collaborate with us to help bring this opportunity to life.

We have also identified a new main contractor who is primed to start the build once we achieve

our funding goal. We will be supported by Grain, a bespoke, ethical architectural practice that specialises in the use of natural low-carbon materials, to create another green build that complements our education centre, with its straw bale walls, air source heat pump and cedar tiled roof. The new build will use side installation panels filled with wood pulp providing excellent thermal properties, innovative photovoltaic glass to convert light into energy for externally covered areas and a green living roof.

We have taken the opportunity, considering the challenging funding climate, to re-look at our design to make cost reductions where possible but without compromising the overall integrity of the building and its sustainability aims.

Whilst the fundraising environment remains challenging, we are committed to bridging our funding gap and will continue to explore avenues for grants and donations from trusts and foundations alongside our fundraising events planned for 2026.

## Fundraising Target

Total build budget: **£650,000**

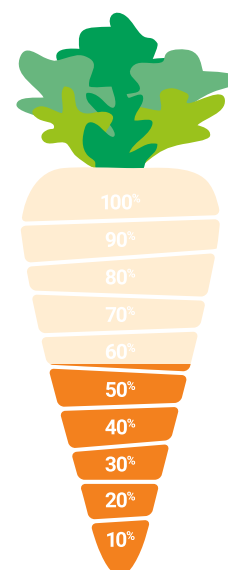
Costs already incurred:  
**£86,327.43**

Restated total build budget  
(as at 2nd Dec 2025):  
**£736,327.43**

Funds raised to date  
(at the point of publication):  
**£393,335.70\***

\*Includes funds banked plus pledges

**Individuals can donate  
via our website:**  
**[www.tuppennybarn.co.uk](http://www.tuppennybarn.co.uk)**



**Photo** Visualisation of our proposed new green build adjacent to our Education Centre.

# Consolidation and building on our strengths

## Green Therapy

Both Sow and Thrive and Veterans Bloom commenced in 2024 have proved immensely successful experiences which made a real and positive difference to the vulnerable clients we serve. We are running a fifth Sow and Thrive course this March with funding from West Sussex County Council and an aspiration to continue with additional courses, funding permitting, supporting those considered the most vulnerable in our community, in line with our charity objectives.

As this report goes to publication, we can confirm that we have recently received confirmation of a grant from the Armed Forces Covenant Trust Hidden Voices scheme to continue our work with the Veterans Bloom beneficiaries. Analysing the feedback from our previous courses, there was an overwhelming desire for this project to occur more frequently as the beneficiaries felt it had such positive outcomes in their individual lives. Accordingly, we have re-started the programme but on a weekly basis over 9 months. During this period, we hope to take the group to other local flower farmers to support their learning in cut flower skills.



## Education

It is known that Childhood obesity in the UK is heavily linked to deprivation, with children in the most deprived areas over twice as likely to be obese (29.2%–30.2% in Year 6) compared to the least deprived (13%–13.1%). Overall, 1 in 7 households with children (15%) struggles to afford food, while 31% of children are living in poverty.

### Key statistics on child obesity and deprivation

- **Obesity Rates:** In 2024–2025, 10.5% of Reception children and 22.2% of Year 6 children were living with obesity.
- **Deprivation Gap:** The obesity gap is widening, with obesity prevalence in Year 6 over double in the most deprived areas (29.3%) compared to the least (13.5%).
- **Severe Obesity:** Children in the most deprived areas are over four times more likely to have severe obesity (9.0%) than those in the least (2.2%).

### Key statistics on food poverty and nutrition

- **Food Insecurity:** Nearly 1 in 7 (15%) households with children experience food insecurity, increasing the risk of obesity due to reliance on cheaper, energy-dense foods.
- **Poverty Levels:** Approximately 4.5 million children (31%) in the UK are living in poverty.
- **Nutritional Risks:** Food insecurity leads to, or coincides with, a rising, albeit small, number of underweight children (1.6% of Year 6 in 2022–23).

### Impact and Trends

- **Health Implications:** Childhood obesity is associated with poor psychological health and an increased risk of adult obesity, morbidity, and premature mortality.
- **Demographics:** Obesity is highest among Black ethnic groups, and slightly higher in boys than girls.
- **Long-Term Trends:** Despite a slight dip post-pandemic, obesity rates remain high, with 26.8% of children aged 2 to 15 considered overweight or obese in 2022–23.

**Photo** Pupils looking at borage with Abi, our Senior Education Officer.





**With these statistics it is a sharp reminder that our Food Education programme provides an essential role to visiting schools and colleges, particularly those in the most deprived areas that we have locally.**

With another fully booked education programme for the forthcoming academic year, three green therapy programmes running for our young people in the form of Sunflowers, Poppies, and Cornflowers, we will continue to meet the needs of our main charitable objective of food education. Close monitoring and evaluation of all these activities ensures that we can deliver an efficient, nurturing, and productive space for our young people. We are also keenly aware that due to a fully booked programme we are at capacity due to the space required. We acknowledge that we could be offering more schools an opportunity to experience our food education programmes.

**The Transforming Tuppenny building now becomes an urgent priority if we are to increase our capacity to facilitate more food education trips to site.**

### Sustainability

Tuppenny Barn is committed to creating a positive impact for our communities and the environment, while inspiring others to join us in building a fairer society and a more sustainable future. In 2024, we took part in the FuturePlus bootcamp in partnership with Chichester District Council, becoming one of 12 inaugural organisations to participate and achieve accreditation. Throughout this process, we reviewed our sustainability performance and identified further opportunities to improve. We continue this journey and educate others on how they also can be part of this important climate change pathway and address societal challenges.

We remain committed to working with businesses that share our sustainability values and to supporting local producers and small enterprises, helping to keep the pound local. We procure green energy, avoid single use plastics, and continue to explore new ways to minimise waste. We also seek every opportunity to increase biodiversity across our site. These principles and practices are woven throughout our education programmes.

We will continue to enhance our sustainability measures and performance across all areas of our charity's work.



Photos STH Shed (top); radishes from the field (bottom).



# How we are structured, governed, and managed

## Constitution

Tuppenny Barn Education Limited ("the charity") is a charitable company limited by guarantee incorporated on 6th April 2011 with no share capital and registered as a charity on 3rd May 2017. The objects and powers of the charity are set out in its Articles of Association.

## Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The Board of Trustees provide the strategic leadership for the charity. All members give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity. The board meets bi-monthly, and the CEO and the directors of Tuppenny Barn Organics also attend the meetings.

Trustee selection is based on whether an individual has either specific qualifications or life skills that will benefit the charity. Examples include experience in education, business or running a charitable organisation. Trustees are offered external training on their legal responsibilities.

## Organisational structure

### Employees

Staff members are recruited for specific skills, such as education, fundraising, horticulture, or administration. However, of equal importance is belief in our core charity values and an interest in sustainability. The CEO, with input from the Board of Trustees, makes all recruitment decisions and all staff that supervise children, and vulnerable adults are subject to DBS vetting.

### Volunteers

Volunteers at Tuppenny Barn continue to supplement the work of the salaried staff, like most other small charities. The charity could not continue to operate as it does today without this vital support. The number of volunteers continues to increase and during the reporting period there were approximately 50 regular members amongst a total of 85.

### Relationships

The charity received donations from its trading subsidiary, Tuppenny Barn Organics Limited (TBO). This sister organisation seed funded the charity and manages the organic smallholding where the charity is

based, engaging in various trading activities to support the charity. The shop and former VegBag scheme are part of these activities. After 16 years of operating the VegBag scheme, we took the difficult decision to cease this operation in 2024 as it was no longer economically sustainable. Our customers can continue to purchase locally grown, sustainable produce through our shop and we remain the largest provider of organic fruit and vegetables for our local community.

## Managing risk

The charity's trustees have reviewed, and continue to keep under review, all the major risks to which the charity is exposed, including compliance with legislation and protecting the Health and Safety of staff, volunteers, participants, and visitors to Tuppenny Barn.

The trustees and management also undertake a full and robust review of all financial and business risks. We conduct risk assessments for all public-attended events at Tuppenny Barn. In addition, visiting schools have a mandate to produce their own risk assessments guided by Linking Environment and Farming (LEAF).

## Providing a public benefit

The charity's trustees acknowledge that the charity complies with section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 regarding providing a public benefit. The charity's trustees have also referred to the guidance in the Charity Commission's general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing the aims and objectives and in planning future activities. In particular, the charity's trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set. The charity's trustees ensure that these activities are carried out for the public benefit by delivering services that are valued by the people the charity supports and enable those with responsibility in the sector to develop and adopt best practice, thereby promoting a transparent and efficiently managed charity that engenders public confidence and trust.

# Financial Review

The financial year ending 30th April 2025 was a successful one in terms of funding received with £265,314 banked.

Expenditure for the financial year totalled £214,090 resulting in a surplus of £51,224.

Total funds levels increased from an opening balance of £439,779 to a closing balance of £491,003, £403,806 which were unrestricted. £67,197 are exclusively connected to the Transforming Tuppenny capital appeal.

Net Current Assets increased from £90,292 to £149,916 across the same time frame.

## Reserves Policy

A Reserves Policy was adopted in May 24 and forms part of the charity's annually reviewed Financial Management Policy.

Taking into account the current fundraising and economic climate the charity aims to hold 4 months in reserves.

## Trustees' responsibility in relation to the financial statements.

The Charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' Annual Report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Policies). The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which gives a true and fair view of the situation of the Charity and of the incoming resources and applicable resources of the Charity for the period in preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP);
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures that must be disclosed and explained in the financial statements
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. The trustees confirm that, to the best of their knowledge, there is no information relevant to the Independent Examination of which the Examiner is unaware. The trustees also confirm that they have taken all necessary steps to ensure that they themselves are aware of all relevant financial information and that this information has been communicated to the Examiner.

Presented and approved by the Board of Trustees at a meeting held on 19th January 2026 and signed on their behalf.



**Tracie Bangert,**  
**Chair of the Board of Trustees**

## Statement of Financial Activities

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2025/24 £	TOTAL 2024/23 £
<b>INCOME</b>						
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>						
Donations and Legacies	2a	165,044	0	73,053	238,097	191,123
Charitable Activities	2b	22,268	0	3,479	25,747	31,901
Investments	2c	1,470	0	0	1,470	776
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>188,782</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>76,532</b>	<b>265,314</b>	<b>223,800</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>						
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
Raising Funds	3a	11,689	0	0	11,689	15,398
Charitable Activities	3b	161,569	0	26,538	188,107	141,674
Other	3c	10,525	0	3,769	14,294	26,808
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>183,783</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>30,307</b>	<b>214,090</b>	<b>183,880</b>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) BEFORE INVESTMENT GAINS/(LOSSES)</b>		<b>4,999</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>46,225</b>	<b>51,224</b>	<b>39,920</b>
Net gains/(losses) on investments		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		<b>4,999</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>46,225</b>	<b>51,224</b>	<b>39,920</b>
Transfers between funds	15,16	0	0	0	0	0
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		<b>4,999</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>46,225</b>	<b>51,224</b>	<b>39,920</b>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:</b>						
Total Funds Brought Forward		398,807	0	40,972	439,779	399,859
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>403,806</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>87,197</b>	<b>491,003</b>	<b>439,779</b>

Movements on all reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above. All of the organisation's operations are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 11 to 21 form part of these financial statements.

## Balance Sheet

Company registration number: 07593594

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	30-Apr-25 Total £	30-Apr-24 Total £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>					
Tangible assets	9	341,087	0	341,087	349,485
Investments	10	0	0	0	2
<b>Current Assets</b>					
Debtors	11	6,936	2,937	9,873	5,797
Cash at bank and in hand	12	57,512	84,260	141,772	86,258
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>64,448</b>	<b>87,197</b>	<b>151,645</b>	<b>92,055</b>
<b>Creditors:</b> amounts falling due within one year	13	1,729	0	1,729	1,763
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		62,719	87,197	149,916	90,292
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b> less current liabilities		<b>403,806</b>	<b>87,197</b>	<b>491,003</b>	<b>439,779</b>
<b>Creditors:</b> amounts falling due in more than one year	14	0	0	0	0
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>403,806</b>	<b>87,197</b>	<b>491,003</b>	<b>439,779</b>
<b>Funds of the Charity</b>					
Unrestricted Funds		403,806	0	403,806	398,807
Restricted Funds	15	0	87,197	87,197	40,972
<b>Total Funds</b>		<b>403,806</b>	<b>87,197</b>	<b>491,003</b>	<b>439,779</b>

### Directors' Responsibilities:

For the year ended 30th April 2025 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved by the Directors on the 23/01/2026

Signed on their behalf by Director Tracie Bangert  
Tracie Bangert, 23 Jan 2026 14:26:29 GMT

Print Name: Tracie Bangert



## Notes to the Financial Statements

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of preparation:

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) - Charities SORP (FRS102)) and incorporating update bulletin 1, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The functional currency of the charity is sterling (£).

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Advantage has been taken of Section 396(5) of The Companies Act 2006 to allow the format of the financial statements to be adapted to reflect the special nature of the charity's operation and in order to comply with the requirements of the SORP.

The charity has opted to prepare its accounts using natural categories.

#### Preparation of accounts on a going concern basis

Preparation of the accounts is on a going concern basis. The Trustees are of the view that the level of reserves will support the charity going forward.

#### Changes to accounting estimates

No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period.

#### Changes to accounting policies

No changes to accounting policies have occurred in the reporting period.

#### Material prior period errors

No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period.

#### Changes to previous accounts

There have been no changes to previous accounts

#### Trading subsidiary

The charity has a trading subsidiary, Tuppenny Barn Organics Limited. The income of the group does not exceed the threshold of £1million and therefore there is no requirement to prepare group accounts.

Tuppenny Barn Organics Limited files separate accounts with Companies House, and a summary of its trading results is provided in Note 10.

The particular accounting policies adopted by the charity are set out below.

### Income

#### Recognition of Income

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the income;
- it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

#### Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

#### Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP).

#### Tax Reclaims on Donations and Gifts

Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

### **Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants**

This is only included in the SoFA once the charity has provided the related goods or services or met the performance related conditions.

### **Gifts in Kind**

Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as income from donations when receivable.

### **Legacies**

Legacies are included in the SOFA when receipt is probable, that is, when there has been grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.

### **Government Grants**

The charity has received government grants in the reporting period.

### **Volunteer Help**

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the Directors' annual report.

### **Income from interest, royalties and dividends**

This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

### **Expenditure and liabilities**

#### **Liability Recognition**

Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

#### **Governance and Support Costs**

Support costs represent the cost of central functions, for example governance costs, payroll administration, information technology. Governance costs are those support costs which relate to public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

#### **Grants with Performance Conditions**

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SOFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.

#### **Grants Payable without Performance Conditions**

Where there are no conditions attaching to the grant that enables the donor charity to realistically avoid the commitment, a liability for the full funding obligation must be recognised.

#### **Employee benefits**

Short term benefits including holiday pay are recognised as an expense in the period in which the service is received.

#### **Redundancy cost**

The charity made no redundancy payments during the reporting period.

#### **Deferred income**

No material item of deferred income has been included in the accounts.

#### **Creditors**

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

#### **Legal status of the charity**

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the charity.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Fixed Assets

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year. They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt.

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost of all tangible fixed assets by instalments over the expected useful lives. The period generally applicable are:

Leasehold property	Straight line method
IT and equipment	Straight line method
Motor Vehicles	Straight line method
Fixtures and Fittings	Straight line method

#### Debtors

Debtors (including trade debtors and loans receivable) are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount after any trade discounts or amount advanced by the charity. Subsequently, they are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.

#### Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated funds is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes.

### 2. ANALYSIS OF INCOME

		Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2025/24 £	TOTAL 2024/23 £
<b>a) Donations and Legacies</b>						
Various Donations		5,648	0	16,878	22,526	11,839
Donations from Tuppenny Barn Organics		2,026	0	0	2,026	2,725
Grants	2a)i	155,692	0	53,238	208,930	174,442
Gift Aid Tax Recoverable		1,678	0	2,937	4,615	2,117
		<b>165,044</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>73,053</b>	<b>238,097</b>	<b>191,123</b>
<b>b) Charitable Activities</b>						
School Visits		12,387	0	0	12,387	9,259
Private Hire		3,417	0	0	3,417	3,894
Private Hire - Grant Funded		0	0	0	0	4,000
Other Events and Activities		1,149	0	0	1,149	5,414
Event Income and Gallery		5,315	0	3,479	8,794	9,334
		<b>22,268</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,479</b>	<b>25,747</b>	<b>31,901</b>
<b>c) Investments</b>						
Bank Interest Received		1,470	0	0	1,470	776
		<b>1,470</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,470</b>	<b>776</b>

## Notes to the Financial Statements

### 2a) i Analysis of receipt of grants

	2025/24	2024/23
	£	£
Anglian Building Projects	1,250	0
Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust	6,138	6,138
Basil Shippam Trust	0	500
Boltini Trust	0	3,000
Charles Jacob Charitable Trust	0	5,000
Chichester District Council	24,211	5,000
Chichester District Council	6,676	0
Chichester Harbour Conservancy Trust	0	9,861
Chichester Harbour Conservancy Trust	2,260	0
Chichester Harbour Conservancy Trust	5,134	0
Chichester Harbour Conservancy Trust	3,268	0
Chichester Harbour Conservancy Trust	4,076	0
Chichester Harbour Conservancy Trust	0	4,194
Chichester Natural History Society	260	0
Crispa Charitable Trust	0	1,000
Epigoni Trust	10,000	0
Fonthill Foundation	5,000	7,708
Gerald Micklem	25,000	0
Gerald Micklem	0	10,000
Grace Alexander	7,500	0
Hall and Woodhouse	2,000	0
Hamamelis Trust	0	2,500
Haramead Trust	0	5,000
Hedley Foundation	0	500
Hyde Charitable Trust	6,733	0
Ian Askew	0	500
Lottery Awards For All	0	10,000
Lynn Foundation	25,000	0
Margaret McEwan Trust	300	0
Minto Charitable Trust	0	1,000
National Lottery	20,000	0
Nineveh Trust	0	5,000
Openwork Foundation	0	15,000
Pixel Trust	0	6,000
Shanley Foundation	0	2,500
Sigrid Rousing Trust	0	10,000
Sirius Analysis Limited	5,000	0
Southall Trust	3,000	3,000
Southern Co-Op	0	10,000
Southern Co-Op	10,000	1,000
Souter Charitable Trust	0	2,000
Southbourne PC	0	33,000
St James' Place Charitable Foundation	0	2,500
Sussex Community Foundation	0	7,853
West Sussex County Council	36,124	8,688
West Sussex County Council - reclassify to Private Hire	0	(4,000)
	<b>208,930</b>	<b>174,442</b>



## Notes to the Financial Statements

### 3. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2025/24 £	TOTAL 2024/23 £
<b>a) Raising Funds</b>						
Fundraising Costs		9,420	0	0	9,420	11,110
Publicity and Advertising		2,269	0	0	2,269	4,288
		<b>11,689</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11,689</b>	<b>15,398</b>
<b>b) Charitable Activities</b>						
Charitable Donations		0	0	0	0	0
Computer, IT and Equipment		5,793	0	6,097	11,890	7,744
Depreciation and Amortisation	9	8,399	0	0	8,399	8,399
Direct Expenses		5,026	0	0	5,026	7,057
Entertainment and Refreshments		172	0	0	172	0
External Support		34,786	0	2,000	36,786	14,781
General Expenses		1,264	0	0	1,264	1,220
Charitable Grants	5	0	0	0	0	0
Insurance		3,436	0	0	3,436	3,316
Other Events and Activities		0	0	0	0	0
Premises Costs:						
Rent		13,750	0	0	13,750	14,250
Utilities		3,532	0	0	3,532	5,978
Repairs and Maintenance		7,432	0	8,641	16,073	8,121
Cleaning Costs		3,244	0	0	3,244	2,618
Printing, Stationery, Postage and Telephone		2,808	0	0	2,808	1,848
Return of Deposit		0	0	0	0	0
Staff Training		2,563	0	0	2,563	1,089
Subscriptions		917	0	0	917	1,538
Travel Costs		218	0	0	218	899
Vehicle Costs (incl vehicle insurance)		1,440	0	0	1,440	1,400
Wages and Salaries	6	66,789	0	9,800	76,589	61,416
		<b>161,569</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>26,538</b>	<b>188,107</b>	<b>141,674</b>
<b>c) Other</b>						
Bank Charges, Streamline etc		396	0	242	638	556
Bookkeeping and Accountancy Fees		8,471	0	0	8,471	8,371
Legal and Professional Fees		658	0	3,527	4,185	16,981
Independent Examiners Fees		1,000	0	0	1,000	900
		<b>10,525</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,769</b>	<b>14,294</b>	<b>26,808</b>

### 4. DETAILS OF CERTAIN TYPES OF EXPENDITURE

	2025/24 £	2024/23 £
Independent examiner's fees	1,000	900
Assurance services other than audit or independent examination	0	0
Tax advisory fees	0	0
Other fees (for example: financial advice, consultancy, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner	0	0
	<b>1,000</b>	<b>900</b>

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### 5. GRANTMAKING

Analysis of grants paid (included in cost of charitable activities)

Analysis	Grants to institutions £	Grants to individuals £	2025/24 £	2024/23 £
School Travel Grants	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### 6. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	2025/24 £	2024/23 £
Gross Wages and Salaries	46,064	40,833
Employer's National Insurance Costs	2,689	1,863
Employer's Pension Contributions	820	528
Recharged Wages and Salaries	27,016	18,192
	<b>76,589</b>	<b>61,416</b>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000. Staff are paid through the PAYE system. The charity also employed the services of six self employed individuals. The total amount paid to self employed persons was £36,786 (2024/23: five self employed individuals £14,781). Self employed staff are responsible for their own reporting to HMRC.

The amounts disclosed above include £27,016 (2024/23: £18,192) paid to staff whose contracts are with and who are paid by Tuppenny Barn Organics Ltd, but a recharge was made to the charity for work carried out on its behalf.

The total amount paid to key management personnel (who are considered to be the trustees and senior management, however no trustees received payments) for their services to the charity was £26,651 (2024/23: £24,437). Rent of £13,750 (2024/23: £14,250) was also paid to one member of the key management personnel for premises they rented to the charity (through a written rental agreement).

Employees who were engaged in each of the following activities:

	2025/24 TOTAL	2024/23 TOTAL
Costs of generating funds/fund raising	1	1
Activities in furtherance of organisation's objects	2	2

### 7. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION BENEFIT SCHEME

The charity operates a government backed defined contribution pension scheme for its eligible employees. The charity paid employer contributions totalling £820 during the year on behalf of three employees. Therefore the amount of contributions recognised in the SOFA as an expense is £820.

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### 8. TRUSTEES AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES

In the period the charity has not paid any trustees remuneration.

In the period the charity has not paid any trustees expenses.

No payments were made to trustees or any persons connected with them during this financial period. No material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee or any person connected with them.

### 9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

		Leasehold Property £	Plant and Equipment £	Motor Vehicles £	Fixtures and Fittings £	TOTAL
Cost	01-May-24	419,929	1,802	1,250	1,511	424,492
Additions		0	0	0	0	0
Cost at	30-Apr-25	<u>419,929</u>	<u>1,802</u>	<u>1,250</u>	<u>1,511</u>	<u>424,492</u>
Depreciation	01-May-24	70,444	1,802	1,250	1,511	75,007
Charge		8,398	0	0	0	8,398
Depreciation at	30-Apr-25	<u>78,842</u>	<u>1,802</u>	<u>1,250</u>	<u>1,511</u>	<u>83,405</u>
Net Book Value	30-Apr-25	<b><u>341,087</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>341,087</u></b>
Net Book Value	30-Apr-24	349,485	0	0	0	349,485

The annual commitments under non-cancelling operating leases and capital commitments are as follows:

30th April 2025: A 25 year lease operates from 2016 to 2041 with the initial rent set at £15,000 per annum, which can be revised as pursuant to the lease. This lease has not been capitalised as no premium has been paid or is due to be paid for the year. Lease payments are only paid when the financial position permits.

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### 10. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Shares in group undertakings £
Market Value at 1st May 2024 and 30 April 2025	2
Net Book Value	
At 30th April 2025	2
At 30th April 2024	2

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

The charity's investments at the balance sheet date in the share capital of companies include the following:

#### Tuppenny Barn Organics Limited

Nature of business: Trading subsidiary, carries out trading activities and manages the organic smallholding where the charity is based.

<u>Class of share:</u>	<u>% holding</u>	<u>No. shares</u>
Ordinary	100	2

#### Trading subsidiary results

	2025/24 £	2024/23 £
Aggregate capital and reserves	(38,641)	(39,066)
Profit/(Loss) for the year	425	7,025 *

\* The Profit/(Loss) for 2024/23 has been amended from £7,741 as stated in the previous year Financial Statements to £7,025.

### 11. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	Unrestricted Fund £	Designated Fund £	Restricted Fund £	<b>Total 30-Apr-25 £</b>	<b>Total 30-Apr-24 £</b>
Trade Debtors	4,528	0	0	4,528	3,680
VAT Refund	730	0	0	730	0
Gift Aid Tax Recoverable	1,678	0	2,937	4,615	2,117
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,936</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,937</b>	<b>9,873</b>	<b>5,797</b>

### 12. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	Unrestricted Fund £	Designated Fund £	Restricted Fund £	<b>Total 30-Apr-25 £</b>	<b>Total 30-Apr-24 £</b>
Cash at bank and in hand	57,512	0	84,260	141,772	86,258
<b>Total</b>	<b>57,512</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>84,260</b>	<b>141,772</b>	<b>86,258</b>

### 13. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Unrestricted Fund £	Designated Fund £	Restricted Fund £	<b>Total 30-Apr-25 £</b>	<b>Total 30-Apr-24 £</b>
Independent Examiners Fees	1,000	0	0	1,000	750
Pension Costs	163	0	0	163	155
Social Security and PAYE Costs	566	0	0	566	436
VAT Payable	0	0	0	0	422
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,729</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,729</b>	<b>1,763</b>



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### 14. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE IN MORE THAN ONE YEAR

The Charitable company has no creditors falling due in more than one year.

### 15. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	CURRENT REPORTING PERIOD					Balance 30-Apr-25 £
	Balance 01-May-24 £	Transfer In £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfer Out	
Chichester Harbour Conservancy Trust	0	0	14,738	(14,738)	0	0
Fonthill Foundation	0	0	5,000	(5,000)	0	0
Hall and Woodhouse	0	0	2,000	(2,000)	0	0
National Lottery	0	0	20,000	0	0	20,000
Southall Trust	0	0	3,000	(3,000)	0	0
Transform Tuppenny	40,972	0	31,794	(5,569)	0	67,197
	<b>40,972</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>76,532</b>	<b>(30,307)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>87,197</b>

#### Purpose of funds 2025/24

**Chichester Harbour Conservancy Trust** funds were received for the Irrigation system repairs, indoor and outdoor equipment and a new kitchen.

**Fonthill Foundation** funds were received for Education salaries.

**Hall and Woodhouse** funds were received for staff salaries.

**National Lottery** funds were received for staff salaries.

**Southall Trust** funds were received for staff costs of Education Officers.

**The Transform Tuppenny** funds were received to help expand our social purpose by enabling our educational offerings to increase and diversify.

#### Transfers between Funds 2025/24

There were no transfers between funds in 2025/24.

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### 15. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	PREVIOUS REPORTING PERIOD					Balance 30-Apr-24 £
	Balance 01-May-23 £	Transfer In £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfer out	
Chichester Harbour Conservancy Trust	0	0	9,861	(9,861)	0	0
Chichester Harbour Conservancy Trust (2)	0	0	4,194	(4,194)	0	0
Finnis Scott	333	0	0	(333)	0	0
Fonthill	1,879	0	0	(1,879)	0	0
Friarsgate Trust	3,000	0	0	(3,000)	0	0
National Lottery (3)	3,784	0	0	(3,784)	0	0
Postcode Lottery	10,884	0	0	(10,884)	0	0
Southall Trust	0	0	3,000	(3,000)	0	0
Southbourne Parish Council (a)	475	0	0	(475)	0	0
Sussex Community Foundation	0	0	7,853	(7,853)	0	0
Transform Tuppenny	9,998	0	41,365	(10,391)	0	40,972
West Sussex County Council (HAF)	0	0	4,688	(4,688)	0	0
	<b>30,353</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>70,961</b>	<b>(60,342)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>40,972</b>

#### Purpose of funds 2024/23

**Chichester Harbour Conservancy Trust** funds were received for Website Upgrade, Tools, Electrician, Compost Bin Liners.

**Chichester Harbour Conservancy Trust (2)** funds were received for Compost Store, Outdoor Taps, Ground Cover etc

**Finnis Scott** funds were received for Raised Beds and Equipment.

**Fonthill** funds were received for the Sunflower Project and Education salaries.

**National Lottery (3)** funds were received for staff costs of Horticultural therapists.

**Postcode Lottery** funds were received for SHT Project.

**Southall Trust** funds were received for staff costs of Education Officers.

**Southbourne Parish Council (a)** funds were received for Veterans Feasibility Study.

**The Sussex Community Foundation** funds were received for Sunflowers and Poppies.

**The Sussex Community Foundation (3)** - this is for the Sunflower Project.

**The Transform Tuppenny** funds were received to help expand our social purpose by enabling our educational offerings to increase and diversify

**The West Sussex County Council (HAF)** funds were received for the HAF project.

#### Transfers between Funds 2024/23

There were no transfers between funds in 2024/23.

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### 16. DESIGNATED FUNDS

	CURRENT REPORTING PERIOD					Balance 30-Apr-25 £
	Balance 01-May-24 £	Transfer In £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfer Out	
Transform Tuppenny Designated Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	PREVIOUS REPORTING PERIOD					Balance 30-Apr-24 £
	Balance 01-May-23 £	Transfer In £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfer Out	
Transform Tuppenny Designated Fund	10,062	0	0	0	(10,062)	0
	<b>10,062</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(10,062)</b>	<b>0</b>

### 17. EVENTS AFTER THE END OF THE REPORTING PERIOD

There are no post balance sheet events of which the Trustees are aware, that require disclosure.

### 18. RISK ASSESSMENT

The trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks. The directors/trustees do not believe the organisation is subject to any substantial risk beyond those disclosed in the Annual Report and Accounts. The organisation has employer and public liability insurance to protect it in the case of a claim.

### 19. RESERVES POLICY

The trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The trustees aim to ensure the charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily. The current reserve policy is to maintain sufficient cash flow for known commitments, and the replacement of certain assets.

### 20. PUBLIC BENEFIT

The charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this are provided in the Trustees report. The trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

## Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Tuppenny Barn Education Limited for the year ended 30th April 2025.

### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the charitable company (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the charitable company are not required to be audited for this year under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the 2011 Act"). In carrying out my examination, I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act).

Since the gross income for the year exceeds the amount provided in Section 145(3) of the Act, I confirm that I am qualified to act as Independent Examiner under the provisions of that section of the Act and that my qualification is as shown below.

### Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 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; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

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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