

4 X 4 ASSIST

England & Wales · Charity number 1174438

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2017-08-31

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT HUMAN LIFE AND PROPERTY BY SUPPLEMENTING AND SUPPORTING EMERGENCY SERVICES, STATUTORY BODIES AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS PRIMARILY IN SUSSEX AND THE ADJACENT AREAS, THROUGH THE DEPLOYMENT OF 4-WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLES, THEIR DRIVERS AND SUPPORT CREWS AND SUCH OTHER RELATED ACTIVITIES AS MAY BE DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE TRUSTEES.

Activities: We provide 4wd transport to bodies who require it, in adverse conditions or in times of community resilience requirements, to preserve human life and property. Vehicles are fully maintained, equipped and suited for purpose, and all drivers and support crews are trained to set standards before being available for deployment. These standards of training and vehicle maintenance checks are recorded

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- East Sussex
- West Sussex

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£2,528	£1,008	-	-
2024-03-31	£2,302	£1,807	-	-
2023-03-31	£655	£757	-	-
2022-03-31	£311	£335	-	-
2021-03-31	£1,660	£3,778	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Peter Hodd	Chair	2023-05-29
Gerry Alan Parsons		2024-06-30
Ivan Netschepir		2021-11-23
Stephen david Woodgate		2024-07-08

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Risk Management Policy
Trustee Expense Claims Policy
Volunteers Mileage Claims Policy
Whistleblowing Policy and Procedures
Guidance on the use of Body Worn Cameras
Risk Assessments on Road Closure application, when marshalling events
This is not an exhaustive list

Specific Activities:

Fortunately, there has been no major weather or community incidents in this financial period.

The group has undertaken several vehicle marshalling and public safety operations at formal community events, often in return for donations.

We have also been involved in assisting with parking cars at local events, which has provided a good additional source of income. These have proved extremely useful in providing a community service, group training and team building benefits as well as providing valued income for 4x4 Assist.

Finance:

An overview of finance has been separately provided, based on Receipts and Payments, as required by the Charity Commissioners.

At the start of the review period the bank balance was **£1,696.35**

At the end of the period the groups bank balance was **£3,442.46**. All events supported by 4x4 Assist have made their agreed donations.

The Group has assets valued at **£11,325.83**.

Our operating bank balance remains slender, but viable, and we are confident that our continued fundraising and marshalling will generate enough further income. Fundraising and membership recruitment are a priority.

Signed:

Peter Hodd (Chairman / Trustee)

Chairmans Report 4x4 Assist: 1 April 2024 to 31st March 2025

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"To preserve and protect human life and property by supplementing and supporting the emergency services, statutory bodies and other organisations primarily in Sussex and the adjacent areas through the deployment of 4-wheel drive vehicles, their drivers and support crews and such other related activities as may be deemed necessary by the Trustees."

Trustees:

During this period Iain Bedwell, resigned as a Trustee on 21/05/2024

On 22nd June 2024 Gerry Alan Parsons was added to the Trustees of 4x4Assist

On 7th July 2024 Steven David Woodgate was added to the Trustees of 4x4Assist

The Four Trustees are, Peter Hodd (Chairman), Ivan Netschepir, Steven Woodgate and Gerry Parsons.

Membership:

At the end of the period under review there were 11 active members.

Members are required to provide their own uniform and wet weather gear. HIGH VIS tabards and ID cards are loaned to members on a job by job basis. To enhance safety and security for members 4X4 Assist also provide radio communication devices and body worn cameras to members on a job by job basis. No membership fees are paid by members.

Activities:

The main activities undertaken this financial year, have been supporting local charity and fund-raising events, providing Marshalling and public safety support for these events. They include but are not confined to: Local Agricultural events, local Summer and Christmas Fairs and Bonfire Society Celebrations.

The trustees have also during this period, undertaken a full and comprehensive review and upgrade of our policies and procedures, and extensive Risk Assessments, of the activities we provide services for.

These include policies regarding;

Internal Financial Controls Policy and Procedures

Bullying and Harassment Policy and Procedures

Complaints Policy

GDPR and Data Protection Policy

Incident Reporting Policy and Procedures

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Statement
 Date: 12/01/2026
 Date Due: 31/01/2026

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT: FOR YEAR ENDING 31st March 2025
4X4 Assist: Charity Number 1174438

DATE	DESCRIPTION	INCOME	EXPENDITURE	ACCOUNT BALANCE
01/04/2024	Opening Balance			£1,696.35
31/05/2024	Laughton Bucket Collection	£770.35		£2,466.70
31/05/2024	Laughton Bucket Collection	£447.91		£2,914.61
31/05/2024	Laughton Bucket Collection	£80.00		£2,994.61
31/05/2024	4x4 Assist Body Cameras		£119.97	£2,874.64
10/07/2024	Website Upgrades		£131.00	£2,743.64
25/07/2024	Website		£194.60	£2,549.04

09/09/2024	Laughton Bucket Collection	£170.00		£2,719.04
24/09/2024	TAMAR TELECOM		£6.94	£2,712.10
24/09/2024	Mayfield Bonfire	£360.00		£3,072.10
27/09/2024	Laughton Bucket Collection	£41.96		£3,114.06
23/10/2024	Hailsham Bonfire	£300.00		£3,414.06
24/10/2024	TAMAR TELECOM		£6.94	£3,407.12
25/10/2024	Heathfield Bonfire	£100.00		£3,507.12
25/10/2024	4X4 Assist Camera Harness		£37.00	£3,470.12
08/11/2024	Newick Bonfire	£250.00		£3,720.12
25/11/2024	TAMAR TELECOM		£6.94	£3,713.18
04/12/2024	Barcombe Bonfire	£250.00		£3,963.18
11/12/2024	Uckfield Chamber Commerce	£100.00		£4,063.18
24/12/2024	TAMAR TELECOM		£6.94	£4,056.24
24/01/2025	TAMAR TELECOM		£6.94	£4,049.30
24/02/2025	TAMAR TELECOM		£6.94	£4,042.36

25/02/2025	4X4 Assist Laptops		£477.00	£3,565.36
06/03/2025	4X4 Assist Mobile Phones		£115.96	£3,449.40
25/03/2025	TAMAR TELECOM		£6.94	£3,442.46
31/03/2025	Closing Balance	£2,528.26	£1,008.15	£3,442.46

INCOME: £2,528.26

EXPENDITURE: £1,008.15

BALANCE: £3,442.46

INCOME DUE: None

Assets:	Command Trailer	£3,250.00
	Handheld Radios and base unit	£5,000.00
	Defibrillators	£1,775.90
	Assorted Hi Viz Clothing	£250.00
	Demonstration TV and stand	£200.00

Gazebo £150.00

New assets:

Cameras £119.97

Harness for cameras £37.00

Laptops £477.00

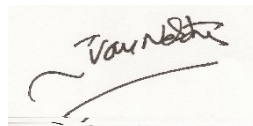
Mobile Phones £115.96

Total Assets: **£11,325.83**

Total Charity Value: **£14,768.29**

Ivan Netschepir
Trustee 4x4 Assist

Signed:



12/01/2025

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Trustees:

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Membership:

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Training:

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Vehicle maintenance checks and kit lists are also an integral part of the member's requirements, and these are the responsibility of members to maintain. Checks by Trustees regarding compliance with the standards are conducted at our monthly meetings.

Finance:

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At the start of the review period the bank balance was **£1,403.14**

Regular outgoing commitments of essential costs such as storage, insurance, membership costs and our response system have usually been around £2,000 per annum. This year cost amounted to **£1,807.43**. Final payment for past trailer storage was made. Currently there is zero cost for storage and no additional overheads or group purchases.

At the end of the period the groups bank balance was **£1,980.36**. There are no outstanding payments due for this financial year. The Group has assets valued at **£10,575.90**.

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Signed:

Peter Hodd (Current Chairman / Trustee)

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Statement Date: 18/01/2025

Date Due: 31/03/2024

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT
4X4 Assist: Charity Number 1174438

DATE	DESCRIPTION	INCOME	EXPENDITURE	ACCOUNT BALANCE
01/03/2023	Balance adjustment FJ Marden		£15.00	£1,418.14
07/03/2023	Balance in Barclays Bank Account			£1,403.14
03/04/2023	FJ Marden		£15.00	£1,388.14
11/04/2023	Zurich Insurance		£29.12	£1,359.02
24/04/2023	Amazon credit	£5.00		£1,364.02
25/04/2023	Zurich Insurance		£29.08	£1,334.94
02/05/2023	FJ Marden		£15.00	£1,319.94
19/05/2023	Amazon credit	13.41		£1,333.35
25/05/2023	Zurich Insurance		£29.08	£1,304.27

01/06/2023	FJ Marden		£15.00	£1,289.27
26/06/2023	Zurich Insurance		£29.08	£1,260.19
03/07/2023	FJ Marden		£15.00	£1,245.19
25/07/2023	Zurich Insurance		£29.08	£1,216.11
01/08/2023	FJ Marden		£15.00	£1,201.11
25/08/2023	Zurich Insurance		£29.08	£1,172.03
01/09/2023	FJ Marden		£15.00	£1,157.03
25/09/2023	Zurich Insurance		£29.08	£1,127.95
02/10/2023	FJ Marden		£15.00	£1,112.95
25/10/2023	Zurich Insurance		£29.08	£1,083.87
01/11/2023	FJ Marden		£15.00	£1,068.87
27/11/2023	Zurich Insurance		£29.08	£1,039.79
01/12/2023	FJ Marden		£15.00	£1,024.79
05/12/2023	4x4 Assist Metro Bank Account		£1,024.79	£0,000.00
Totals	Barclays Account closure	+ £18.41	- £1,403.14	£0,000.00
Actual Expenditure			- £378.35	
Income		+ £18.41		

01/07/2023	Accounts for Metro Bank Account			
04/08/2023	Charity collection Laughton	£1,049.27		£1,049.27
27/09/2023	Charity Collection Laughton	£434.88		£1,484.65
12/10/2023	Donation to AEG (Alfriston Emergency Group)		£600	£884.65
03/11/2023	Newick Bonfire	£400		£1,284.65
24/11/2023	Hailsham Bonfire	£200		£1,484.65
24/11/2023	Barcombe Bonfire	£200		£1,684.65
05/12/2023	Balance form Barclays Account	£1,024.79		£2,809.44
20/12/2023	Trailer storage		£800	£2,009.44
17/01/2024	Mis Expenses		£29.08	£1,980.36
31/03/2024				£1,980.36
Totals		£2,302.56	£1,807.43	£1,980.36


INCOME: £2,302.56

EXPENDITURE: £1,807.43

BALANCE: £1,980.36

Assets:	Command Trailer.	£3,250
	Handheld Radios and base unit	£5,000
	Defibrillators	£1,775.90
	Assorted Hi Viz Clothing	£250
	Demonstration TV and stand	£200
	Gazebo	£150.00
	Total Assets:	£10,575.90

Signed: Ivan Netschepir Trustee 4x4 Assist



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Statement
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Date Due: 31/03/2023

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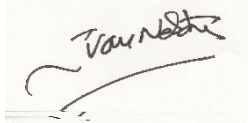
DATE	DESCRIPTION	INCOME	EXPENDITURE	ACCOUNT BALANCE
01/04/2022	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,508.98
03/05/2022	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,493.98
09/05/2022	Amazon Credit	£5.00		£1,498.98
01/06/2022	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,483.98
15/06/2022	Zurich Insurance		£85.12	£1,398.86
01/07/2022	Zurich Insurance		£85.12	£1,313.74
01/07/2022	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,298.74
01/08/2022	Zurich Insurance		£85.12	£1,213.62
01/08/2022	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,198.62

05/08/2022	Heathfield Show: Payment Received	£650.00		£1,848.62
01/09/2022	Zurich Insurance		£85.12	£1,763.50
01/09/2022	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,748.50
03/08/2022	Zurich Insurance		£85.12	£1,663.38
03/08/2022	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,648.38
01/11/2022	Zurich Insurance		£85.12	£1,563.26
01/11/2022	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,548.26
01/12/2022	Zurich Insurance		£85.12	£1,463.14
01/12/2022	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,448.14
01/01/2023	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,433.14
01/02/2023	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,418.14
01/03/2023	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,403.14

INCOME: £655.00
EXPENDITURE: £757.84
BALANCE: £1,403.14
INCOME DUE: £1,100.00

Assets:	Command Trailer	£3,250
	Handheld Radios and base unit	£5,000
	Defibrillators	£1,775.90
	Assorted Hi Viz Clothing	£250
	Demonstration TV and stand	£200
	Gazebo	£150.00
	Total Assets:	£10,575.90

Signed: Ivan Netschepir Trustee 4x4 Assist



Trustees Report 4x4 Assist: 1 April 2022 to 31st March 2023

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Finance:

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Regular outgoing commitments of essential costs such as storage, insurance, membership costs and our response system have usually been around £2,000 per annum. This year cost amounted to **£757.84**. This was again due to zero charge for storage and no additional overheads or group purchases.

At the end of the period the groups bank balance was **£1403.14**. Several events supported by 4x4 Assist have yet to make their agreed donations. This amount is estimated at **£1,100.00**. The Group has assets valued at **£10,575.90**.

Our operating bank balance remains slender, but viable, and we are confident that our continued fundraising and marshalling will generate enough further income. Fundraising and membership recruitment are a priority.

David Marden was Chairman, at the time of this end of financial year report.

Signed:

Peter Hodd (Current Chairman / Trustee)

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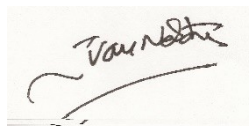
DATE	DESCRIPTION	INCOME	EXPENDITURE	ACCOUNT BALANCE
01/04/2021	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,554.96
08/04/2021	Adrian Flux Insurance		£137.14	£1,417.82
04/05/2021	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,402.82
24/05/2021	Amazon Credit	£5.28		£1,408.10
01/06/2021	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,393.10
01/07/2021	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,378.10
02/08/2021	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,363.10
06/08/2021	Amazon Payment		£7.99	£1,355.11
01/09/2021	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,340.11

01/10/2021	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,325.11
25/10/2021	Ebay Payment		£9.99	£1,315.12
01/11/2021	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,300.12
01/12/2021	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,285.12
13/12/2021	Amazon Credit	£6.45		£1,291.57
14/12/2021	Ebay Payment		£9.99	£1,281.58
14/12/2021	Ebay Payment		£12.60	£1,268.98
17/01/2022	Newick Bonfire: Payment received	£300.00		£1,568.98
04/01/2022	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,553.98
01/02/2022	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,538.98
01/03/2022	Vonage payment: Members Automated Call Out		£15.00	£1,523.98

INCOME: £311.76
EXPENDITURE: £335.12
BALANCE: £1,523.98

Assets:	Command Trailer.	£3,250
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	Ivan Netschepir Trustee 4x4 Assist	

Signed:

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At the start of the review period the bank balance was **£1,569.96**.

Regular outgoing commitments of essential costs such as storage, insurance, membership costs and our response system have usually been around £2,000 per annum. This year cost amounted to **£335.12**. This was due to zero charge for storage and no additional overheads or group purchases. Insurance was paid in the previous financial year.

At the end of the financial period the groups bank balance was: **£1,523.98**. The Group has assets valued at **£10,575.90**.

Our operating bank balance remains slender, but viable, and we are confident that our continued fundraising and marshalling will generate enough further income. Fundraising and membership recruitment are a priority.

David Marden was Chairman, at the time of this end of financial year report.

Signed:

Peter Hodd (Current Chairman / Trustee)

4 X 4 ASSIST

England & Wales - Charity number 1174438

Accounts

Trustees Report 4x4 Assist 1 April 2020 to 31st March 2021

Background

4x4 Assist achieved Charitable status in September 2017, becoming a CIO with three initial Trustees and an operational fee-paying membership base. Trustees are also members, but members are not Trustees. No Officers have been appointed, as at the end of the period under review.

The objects of the organisation are set out in Clause 3 of its Constitution, namely

“To preserve and protect human life and property by supplementing and supporting the emergency services, statutory bodies and other organisations primarily in Sussex and the adjacent areas through the deployment of 4-wheel drive vehicles, their drivers and support crews and such other related activities as may be deemed necessary by the Trustees.”

Trustees

The Four Trustees are, David Marden, Peter Grant, Ian Bedwell and Ivan Netschepir as originally set out in the Constitution. All of the original Trustees to become eligible for re-election by the Trustees and Officers have offered a second term to expire on March 2023. Renewals are for a three-year period.

Membership

At the end of the period under review there are 25 members each paying a subscription fee. This covers the costs of ID cards and basic PPE

Activities

The main activities undertaken since the group was formed have been the signing of appropriate Memoranda of Understanding with various bodies to further our Charitable Objects, the continuation of Charitable Status and the increased status of the Group as an important part of the Sussex Community Resilience Forum. The group regularly attends their meetings and is active in all the SCRF undertakings

Fortunately, unlike last year, there have been no major weather or community incidents in the period, so that processes have been refined and codified within the Resilience Forum and are ready for test in the coming winter preparations.

In addition to the formal call outs, the group has undertaken many marshalling and safeguarding exercises, often in return for donations. These have proved extremely useful in providing a community service, group training and team building benefits and providing income.

Training has become formalised within the group as we approach more significant MoUs with ESFRS. All members now receive a formal induction package of training and undertake off road training, on road recovery and similar essentials. Records are kept and updated so that only fully competent crews are selected for any duty.

Vehicle maintenance and kit lists are also an integral part of the requirements and these are updated every four weeks with random verification checks, at our monthly meetings. New Trustees have taken on management of these tasks and others.

Grants have been a welcome addition to our fundraising- to which have been for specific projects, namely Off-Road training and vehicle, Defibrillators, Control Trailer, and state of the art Radios.

These purchases have become group assets and have reduced our ongoing monthly outgoings on rentals considerably. One group asset the D1 Discovery bought for off road training has proved uneconomic to repair and was sold on in the summer of 2019. A replacement is not being sought

Finance

An overview of finance has been separately provided, on the basis of Receipts and Payments accounting as required by the Charity Commissioners

At the start of the review period the bank balance was approximately £3688,

Regular outgoing commitments of essential costs such as storage, insurance, membership costs and our response system continue at around £2,000 per annum.

At the end of the period the groups bank balance was just over £4,600 but the Group has assets costed at almost £10,600. All outstanding grants have been received

Our operating bank balance remains slender, but viable, and we are confident that our continued fundraising and marshalling will generate enough further income.

Fundraising remains a priority.

David Marden (Chair / Trustee) 8th April 2021

4 x 4 Receipts year to 31st March 2021

Date	Counter credit D Marden	Remittance 32HAILSHAM POLEGAT	PAYPAL CODE 2586	Counter Credit Peter Grant	PCC for Sussex	B/H BONFIRE	CUCKFIELD PARISH	Counter Credit LUKE HILL	Remittance 43HAILSHAM POLEGAT	TOTALS
03/04/2020	100.00									100.00
03/04/2020				60.00						60.00
23/04/2020					1,000.00					1,000.00
04/06/2020					500.00					500.00
TOTALS	100.00	0.00	0.00	60.00	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,660.00
										1,660.00
				Opening Balance		3,688.12				
				Add Receipts		1,660.00				
						5,348.12				
				Less Payments		3,778.16				
				Closing Balance		£1,569.96				

