

Charity Number 1174989

The North Yorkshire Branch of the Campaign to Protect Rural England

Trustees' Report & Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2024

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Objectives and activities

Our objectives

Our purpose, described in the Charity's constitution, is to promote and encourage for the benefit of the public the improvement, protection and preservation of the countryside of North and East Yorkshire and its towns and villages and the better development of the rural environment.

Our activities

To support this purpose, the Charity undertakes the following main activities:

- We **connect people and countryside**, by reviewing and responding to local and national plans and related legislation on behalf of members and non-members, local groups, and parish councils and making sure that land is dedicated to green space and nature and otherwise used appropriately and efficiently;
- We **empower communities**, by engaging with and informing members of the public and working with volunteers to help them promote, enhance, protect and enjoy the 6,900 square miles of North and East Yorkshire countryside and environment;
- We **promote rural life**, by raising awareness and campaigning for a sustainable rural economy, robust and healthy rural infrastructure and services, new and sustainable models of farming, and countryside management which reduces CO2 emissions to net zero and mitigates the impacts of the climate emergency;
- We **grow our capacity**, by communicating our aims, activities and achievements to increase our profile, attracting more members and supporters, managing our Charity well, and securing our long-term financial arrangements.

The Trustees acknowledge the current Charity Commission guidance on 'public benefit' and are assured that the Charity's objectives and activities are beneficial to the general public.

Achievements and performance

Connecting people and countryside

In 2024, we responded to 67 different planning consultations and enquiries and provided evidence at four different planning appeals. We also made three Interested Party representations to the Planning Inspectorate regarding Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects for large scale solar farm projects.

We have influenced a significant number of planning decisions across our area of benefit including for sites where we argued the type of development proposed was unsustainable and unsuitable.

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At the request of a community interest group (comprising various local residents), we provided a strong objection to North Yorkshire Council in relation to a proposal for a split-site solar farm in the Howardian Hills National Landscape and within the immediate setting of the North York Moors National Park. The proposed solar farm would ultimately cause significant and demonstrable harm to both of these nationally designated protected landscapes. Despite Planning Officer support for the scheme, the Planning Committee agreed with our objection to the scheme and refused the application. The applicant then applied for planning permission for a pared-back scheme in the same location. Despite the modifications to the proposed design, our main objections were still relevant, and the Planning Committee agreed with us a second time.

Also in 2024, we provided advice and assistance to different community groups, members of the public, Parish Councils, and our members in responding to a broad range of planning applications including inappropriately sited new residential developments, poorly designed agricultural and commercial buildings, developments which would detrimentally impact both the historic and natural environments, and proposals for new fossil fuel development.

In late 2024, we responded to a consultation relating to a proposed new hydraulic fracturing wellsite for the exploration and production of oil at land near Burniston (formerly in the Scarborough district of North Yorkshire) and requested opinions as to whether an Environmental Impact Assessment ('EIA') was required to be undertaken by the applicant to sit alongside a future planning application. Given the scale, nature and longevity of the proposed operations, and its specific locational constraints, we argued that the applicant should undertake the necessary high-level assessments required for a robust EIA. The Minerals Planning Authority concurred with our opinion.

We also responded to 12 different policy consultations, with the professional support of our Planning and Heritage Consultants including:

- North Yorkshire Council – Pannal Neighbourhood Plan;
- East Riding of Yorkshire Council – Design Supplementary Planning Document;
- Middlesbrough Council – a second Issues and Options Local Plan Consultation;
- North Yorkshire Council – Submission Draft Selby District Local Plan;
- East Riding of Yorkshire Council – Main Modifications Local Plan Consultation;
- North York Moors National Park Authority – Design Code Consultation;
- City of York Council – Gypsy and Traveller Local Plan Consultation; and
- Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority – Preferred Sites Local Plan.

We anticipate the need for further responses to policy consultations in 2025 as the Local Planning Authorities across our area of interest, including the newly established North Yorkshire Council, continue to work towards adopting and reviewing their Local Plans.

Anticipated future areas of policy work include:

- City of York – Post Examination Modifications and Adopted documents;
- East Riding of Yorkshire Council – Local Plan Review;
- Middlesbrough Council – Preferred Options Local Plan Consultation;
- North Yorkshire Council – Local Plan Issues and Options;

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- North Yorkshire Council – New Settlement Development Plan Document examination (Maltkin);
- Howardian Hills National Landscape – Management Plan Review; and
- Yorkshire Dales National Park – Management Plan Document Review and Publication Local Plan.

Empowering communities

We collaborated throughout 2024 with various community stakeholders to campaign for appropriate development in the most appropriate locations. These stakeholders included various Parish Councils, Neighbourhood Plan steering groups, Thirsk Friends of the Earth, Save Our Craven Countryside, East Garton Parish VOICE, and the Hurgill Stables Objection Group.

Following a successful collaboration in 2023 with the Hurgill Stables Objection Group in responding to a highly inappropriate residential development on the outskirts of Richmond, North Yorkshire, we joined forces again in 2024 to respond to an appeal made by the applicant for the same proposal. We were delighted when the Planning Inspector dismissed the appeal based on the same arguments put forward by the community and ourselves.

Just a note to say we have now received the Planning Inspectors appeal decision, which dismisses the appeal on numerous grounds - fabulous news!! As you will see heritage, conservation, landscape and the Coast to Coast all played a major part in the decision to reject.

I feel your report was a major contributor to this success and I would like to offer my thanks for producing such a professional response in such a short amount of time, somewhat under pressure!

Well done CPRE! Marvellous, thanks again.

Ian Hibbert, Hurgill Stables Objection Group, by email 09/24

Thanks for forwarding a copy of the objection you submitted on behalf of CPRENEY which is much appreciated. We really feel that the Council will have no choice but to consider and act on the thorough and reasoned objection you submitted. Thank you for your attendance at the recent Parish Meeting – your advice and knowledge helped many of our community in responding to the proposals.

Barry Lee, Clerk to East Barton Parish Council, by email 12/24

Continuing our collaborative work with a coastal Parish Council in the East Riding of Yorkshire, we responded to 3 separate major planning applications for large scale energy infrastructure projects in a relatively small scale and particularly rural locale. We worked alongside the Parish Council to empower community groups (including VOICE) and individual members of the public to respond to the planning proposals which would directly impact their residential amenity and result in cumulative highway safety concerns, especially for vulnerable users in the vicinity amongst other matters. In March 2025, all 3 planning decisions have been 'paused in process' due to the election of the new Government and new policy statements for which the implications are still being considered.

We have been vociferous in our support, over many decades, for the designation of the Yorkshire Wolds as a National Landscape (formerly Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty) which would afford the area the highest possible landscape protection in planning policy. We have worked collaboratively with the three Local Authorities which would be impacted by the potential

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designation. We submitted two formal responses to Natural England relating to various parts of the designation process in the formal consultations in 2024. We worked alongside the local authorities and various rural stakeholders as part of the East Riding Rural Partnership (of which we are a member) to promote the proposal and respond to the official consultations. We were disappointed with the first 'candidate area' and considered that the proposed area did not extend to some of the most valuable and naturally beautiful landscapes in the Yorkshire Wolds. We were delighted to see that some of our recommendations had been taken forward by Natural England when the second consultation was published towards the end of 2024, however, not all of our recommendations have been taken forward and this will be a key focus of our collaborative work in 2025.

Throughout the year we have been active in supporting NY Climate Coalition in the group's engagement with North Yorkshire Council and the new North Yorkshire Combined Authority to add our voice to those of its other local stakeholder groups to promote the consideration of climate change mitigation and adaptation in both policy and practice.

Promoting rural life

In 2024, we completed the first stage of a research project set up to investigate local authorities' commitments to mitigate and adapt to the climate emergency through their planning policies and the extent to which commitments are being fulfilled in practice through planning decisions. The project which was volunteer-resourced, included research on eight Local Plans including the Local Plans of five of the seven former District councils which make up the new North Yorkshire Council, plus Middlesbrough, Redcar and Cleveland and Stockton-on-Tees Councils - 49 planning application decisions in total.

Our aim is to use the research findings to showcase and leverage examples of good practice and where there are shortfalls, influence and lobby for improvements.

In general, we have seen mainly good consideration of flood avoidance and mitigation in applications for new developments. In contrast authority performance on energy efficiency and CO2 emissions reduction in new construction, both against the commitments stated in their current Local Plans, and against what is actually needed in policy terms to properly address the climate crisis, is significantly lacking. As a result, we are lobbying for authorities to urgently introduce policy that mandates all new housing (and non-residential development) is built to a 'net zero' standard through construction of highly energy efficient buildings where residual energy demands are met through renewable or ultra-low carbon sources. This would avoid unnecessary costs to homeowners of having to later retrofit their property, and contribute to speeding up emissions reduction.

We have an ongoing dialogue with North Yorkshire Council regarding our report and findings, including our ask that the new Local Plan include a 'net zero' construction policy. During 2025 we will make members, supporters and the general public aware of how they can make their voice heard on this and other rural planning issues, through public consultation on the new Local Plan which is due to commence in Spring 2025.

We have also shared information about the project with the wider CPRE organisation to help it gain from our experience and learning.

We were successful in growing our social media presence in 2024 raising awareness and campaigning for the sustainability of rural life. Our followers across Facebook

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(<http://www.facebook.com/cpreney>), X (formerly Twitter) (http://x.com/cpre_ney), Instagram (http://www.instagram.com/cpre_ney), LinkedIn (<https://www.linkedin.com/company/cpre-north-and-east-yorkshire-the-countryside-charity/posts/?feedView=all>) and TikTok (https://www.tiktok.com/@cpre_ney) totalled 1,858 at the end of 2024 (an increase of almost 10% compared with the end of 2023).

Given declining income in recent years, we made the difficult decision not to run any of our three competitions, and to prioritise our planning and campaigning activities in 2024.

Growing our capacity

Our member numbers decreased by a further 7% in 2024. At the end of the year, we had 463 individual, family, and organisation members in total.

As noted in our previous report, we are concerned by the decrease in our membership and related income. In 2024, we engaged a fundraising consultancy to support development of a fundraising strategy with the intention of adding to the regular donations made by our members and diversifying the source and type of our donation income, and securing our activities into the longer term.

The current Trustees have a diverse range of expertise, including planning, conservation, farming and landscape, dark skies, as well as people, organisation and financial management, and charity governance. Given a net loss of Trustees in 2023 and 2024, we will pursue a skills-based recruitment process for new Trustees in 2025.

The Charity has no employees.

The Trustees would like to thank our volunteers who give their time, skills and experience to generously support the activities of the Charity.

Financial review

In 2024, expenditure on charitable activities totalled £54,737 (2023: £55,372) and income totalled £30,787 (2023: £18,668). At 31 December 2024, the Charity held funds totalling £165,665 (2023: £189,615), comprising unrestricted funds of £164,025 (2023: £108,393) and restricted funds of £1,640 (2023: £81,222).

The Charity also works closely with CPRE, the national charity, to ensure the appropriate use of a designated fund for North Yorkshire reported in the accounts of CPRE. The fund, totalling £275,348 at 31 December 2024 (2023: £283,598), comprises the balance of a legacy gift from the estate of Serena Moore, née Denholm-Young.

Reserves policy

The Trustees revised the Charity's reserves policy in May 2024. The revised policy is to hold 'zero-level' reserves. The revision was developed taking into consideration the small size of the Charity,

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the simplicity of its structure and activities, the few and negligible risks to these activities, and the Charity not having any significant or long-term financial commitments.

Our reserves on 31 December 2024 totalled £164,025.

We received two generous legacies in 2005 and 2018 which increased the Charity's reserves and facilitated a significantly higher level of activity and greater influence and impact in recent years than would have been possible based on the regular donations from our members. The Charity's strategic and financial plan sets out how reserves will be utilised and brought into line with the charity's revised reserves policy over a 10-year period, at the end of which time the Charity intends to fund its activities from the regular donations from our members only.

Structure, governance and management

How our Charity is constituted

The North Yorkshire Branch of the Campaign to Protect Rural England (referred to as CPRE North and East Yorkshire or CPRE NEY within these financial statements) is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). The CIO was registered at the Charity Commission on 4 October 2017 under a Trust Deed dated February 2017.

On 1 January 2018 the assets, liabilities and funds of The Campaign to Protect Rural England North Yorkshire Branch (an unincorporated registered Charity, reference 500333, which subsequently became inactive although remains registered) were transferred to this Charity. The two Charities have the same objects and beneficiaries, and two common Trustees.

How our Trustees are appointed

Our Board of Trustees must have at least three and no more than ten Trustees, including the Chairperson, up to two Vice-Chairpersons and the Treasurer.

Trustees may serve for a period of up to six years. The Chairperson may serve for a period of up to nine years. Trustees are elected and re-elected at general meetings of the Charity but may also be co-opted by the Board between general meetings.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

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

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (FRS102);
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- 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 that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, applicable accounting regulations and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Reference and Administrative Details

Name:	Campaign to Protect Rural England (County of North Yorkshire Branch)
Registered Charity Number:	1174989
Address:	PO Box 189, York, YO7 9BL
Website:	www.cpreney.org.uk

Trustees during the period 1 January 2023 - December 2023 and at the date of signing the report

Mrs Jan Arger, Chair
Mrs Katie Atkinson, Vice-Chair
Mr Ron Healey
Mr Morris Charlton
Ms Clair Jones, Treasurer
Ms Julie Chapman
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Resigned 23 November 2024

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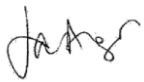
Planning Consultant:

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The Trustees' Report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 21 March 2025.



Mrs Jan Arger
Chair

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The North Yorkshire Branch of the Campaign to Protect Rural England
For the year ended 31 December 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The North Yorkshire Branch of the Campaign to Protect Rural England (the CIO) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the CIO's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Basis of Independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes a consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no 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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21 March 2025

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Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 31 December 2024

		Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2023 £
	<i>Notes</i>						
Income from:							
Donations	2	15,441	-	15,441	17,055	90	17,145
Charitable activities	3	-	10,295	10,295	1,523	-	1,523
Bank deposit interest	4	5,051	-	5,051	-	-	-
Total		20,492	10,295	30,787	18,578	90	18,668
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	5	46,082	8,655	54,737	51,930	3,442	55,372
Total		46,082	8,655	54,737	51,930	3,442	55,372
Net income/(expenditure)		(25,590)	1,640	(23,590)	(33,352)	(3,352)	(36,704)
Transfers between funds	11	81,222	(81,222)	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		55,632	(79,582)	(23,590)	(33,352)	(3,352)	(36,704)
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forward	11	108,393	81,222	189,615	141,745	84,574	226,319
Total funds carried forward	11	164,025	1,640	165,665	108,393	81,222	189,615

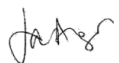
All of the Charity's activities are continuing.

The notes on pages 12 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

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Balance Sheet
As at 31 December 2024

	<i>Notes</i>	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2023 £
Current assets							
Debtors	8	5,162	-	5,162	4,193	-	4,193
Short term bank deposits		150,000	-	150,000			
Cash at bank and in hand		10,760	1,775	162,535	105,654	81,222	186,876
Creditors	9	(1,897)	(135)	(2,032)	(398)	-	(398)
Provisions	10	-	-	-	(1,056)	-	(1,056)
Net current assets		163,793	1,640	165,433	108,393	81,222	189,615
Net assets		164,025	1,640	165,665	108,393	81,222	189,615
The funds of the charity:							
Unrestricted funds	11	164,025	-	164,025	108,393	-	108,393
Restricted funds	11	-	1,640	1,640	-	81,222	81,222
Total funds	11	164,025	1,640	165,665	108,393	81,222	189,615

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 21 March 2025 and signed on its behalf



Mrs Jan Arger
Chair

The notes on pages 12 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements
For the year ended 31 December 2024

1. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention modified to include the revaluation of investments, in accordance with *Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019)*, also known as the 'Charities SORP (FRS102)', and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102).

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, as the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future. The Trustees have reviewed the level of liquid assets available and expect to continue to be able to meet the Charity's liabilities as they fall due in the coming year.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds: These are funds which can be used at the discretion of the Trustees in accordance with the objects of the Charity.

Restricted funds: These are funds that can only be used for purposes which have been specified by the donor within the objects of the Charity.

Income

Income is from donations, legacies, grants, and interest on investments and is recognised gross in the year in which it is receivable.

Expenditure

All expenditure is charged in the year in which it is incurred. Cost are allocated directly to the activity to which they relate.

Financial instruments

The Charity has only financial assets and financial liabilities which qualify as 'basic financial instruments'. Basic financial instruments are recognised initially at transaction value and subsequently at settlement value.

Taxation

The Charity is not required to pay tax on its income as this is used only to fund its charitable expenditure.

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2. Income from donations

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2023 £
Regular donations from members	14,231	-	14,231	16,119	-	16,119
Other donations	1,210	-	1,210	936	90	1,026
	15,441	-	15,441	17,055	90	17,145

3. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2023 £
Grants	-	10,295	10,295	1,523	-	1,523

The Charity received two restricted grants during the year.

£1,775 was received from the Two Ridings Community Foundation to support a project to raise climate awareness through poetry in primary schools.

£8,250 was received from CPRE, the national charity, to support the development of a fundraising strategy for CPRENE and a contribution to the costs of obtaining a legal opinion with national relevance on planning applications and climate change.

4. Income from bank deposit interest

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2023 £
Bank deposit interest	5,051	-	5,051	-	-	-

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5. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2024	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<i>Connecting People & Countryside / Empowering Communities</i>						
- Planning Consultation Activities	30,686	600	31,286	39,274	612	39,886
- Other activities	13	135	148	629	-	629
<i>Sub-total</i>	<i>30,699</i>	<i>735</i>	<i>31,434</i>	<i>39,903</i>	<i>612</i>	<i>40,515</i>
<i>Promoting Rural Life</i>						
- Competitions	147	-	147	2,122	-	2,122
- Social media, website, newsletter	1,718	-	1,718	2,182	616	2,798
- Other activities	212	-	212	321	91	412
<i>Sub-total</i>	<i>2,077</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>2,077</i>	<i>4,625</i>	<i>707</i>	<i>5,332</i>
<i>Growing Our Capacity</i>						
- Governance	7,089	-	7,089	4,925	1,389	6,314
- Fundraising	1,690	7,920	9,610	-	-	-
- Administration	4,527	-	4,527	2,477	734	3,211
<i>Sub-total</i>	<i>13,306</i>	<i>7,920</i>	<i>21,226</i>	<i>7,402</i>	<i>2,123</i>	<i>9,525</i>
	46,082	8,655	54,737	51,930	3,442	55,372

Independent examination fees of £800 (2023: £nil) are included in governance expenditure.

6. Trustee expenses

Reimbursement of travel expenses totalling £706 was made to four Trustees during the year (2023: £317 to two Trustees). None of the Trustees received remuneration for their role as Trustee.

Trustee indemnity insurance was arranged at a cost of £373 (2023: £376).

7. Related party transactions

The Charity contracted and received planning consultancy services during the year with a total cost of £27,396 (2023: £37,116) from KVA Planning Consultancy, established by Mrs Katie Atkinson, a Trustee of the Charity. These services and the related payments are permitted by section 6.2 of the Charity's constitution. At the 31 December 2024, none of these payments were outstanding (2023: £nil).

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8. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Prepayments & accrued income	5,162	4,193
	<u>5,162</u>	<u>4,193</u>

9. Creditors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade creditors	1,227	393
Accruals	805	5
	<u>2,032</u>	<u>398</u>

10. Provisions

	2024	2023
	£	£
Opening balance	1,056	-
Added	-	1,056
Utilised	(1,056)	-
Closing balance	<u>-</u>	<u>1,056</u>

Following project implementation challenges, a full provision was made in 2023 for the potential reimbursement of the restricted grant of £1,056 received from the #iwill Fund with the support of the Two Ridings Community Foundation.

The grant was reimbursed in full in 2024.

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11. Analysis of movements in total funds

Current year

	1 January 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gain/(Loss) On Investments £	Transfers £	31 December 2024 £
Unrestricted Funds	108,393	20,492	(46,082)	-	81,222	164,025
<i>Paton Estate</i>	81,222	-	-	-	(81,222)	-
<i>Harrogate Area</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Two Ridings</i>	-	1,775	(135)	-	-	1,640
<i>Hurgill Stables</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>CPRE</i>	-	8,520	(8,520)	-	-	-
Restricted Funds	81,222	10,295	(8,655)	-	-	1,640
Total Funds	189,615	30,787	(54,737)	-	-	165,665

Comparative for prior year

	1 January 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gain/(Loss) On Investments £	Transfers £	31 December 2023 £
Unrestricted Funds	141,745	18,578	(51,930)	-	-	108,393
<i>Paton Estate</i>	84,052	-	(2,830)	-	-	81,222
<i>Harrogate Area</i>	522	-	(522)	-	-	-
<i>Two Ridings</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Hurgill Stables</i>	-	90	(90)	-	-	-
Restricted Funds	84,574	90	(3,442)	-	-	81,222
Total Funds	226,319	18,668	(55,372)	-	-	189,615

Paton Estate: This restricted fund related to a legacy donation from the Isabel Paton Estate in 2006. In February 2024, the Charity (as the single trustee of the Isobel Paton Estate trust) approved a 'Section 275 resolution' based on the Charities Act, 2011 to change the purpose of the trust from 'for use in Wensleydale district' to 'for the improvement and protection of the countryside of North Yorkshire'. The Charity Commission considered the resolution and confirmed that it might take effect from 15 April 2024. The remaining balance of the restricted fund was transferred to the Charity's unrestricted funds.

Two Ridings: The Charity received a grant of £1,775 from the Two Ridings Community Foundation to support its collaboration with Bok Bok Books, an independent publishing

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company, to deliver 'Poetry for Climate Action' sessions to raise climate awareness in primary schools in North Yorkshire.

CPRE: The Charity received a grant of £8,250 from CPRE, the national charity, to support its development of a fundraising strategy (£7,950) and a contribution to the costs incurred by a community group in Lincolnshire to obtain a legal opinion with national relevance, and hence for North and East Yorkshire, on planning applications and climate change (£600). The grant was awarded from the designated fund for North Yorkshire held by CPRE. The fund derives from a legacy gift from the estate of Serena Moore, née Denholm-Young intended for 'the future protection of the natural landscape of North Yorkshire'.