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Group of

**RDA**



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# Haworth Riding for The Disabled

## Reports and Financial Statement

Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> October  
2024

Charity Number 1177287



Supported by  
**The National Lottery®**  
through the Big Lottery Fund



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Rugby's charity supporting disadvantaged children and young people

### **Aims and Purposes**

Haworth Riding for the Disabled (Haworth RDA) has the responsibility of co-operating with Riding for the Disabled Association Incorporating Carriage Driving. A UK Company Limited by Guarantee No 5010395. A Charity Registered in England & Wales (No 244108) and Scotland (No SC039473), in promoting in the physical activity of horse riding for the beneficial purposes of disabled adults and children, this included fine and gross motor skills, posture, position, social awareness and conversation, self-esteem and fun - from grass roots riders to competitive riders. We offer educational development via After School Clubs, Holiday Clubs and work placements

### **Objectives and Activities**

The Haworth RDA group is committed to enabling as many people as possible to ride at our facility and become part of our team. The Haworth RDA maintains an overview of activities through the group and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that visit our centre every week. Our services and activities are put into practice through riding lessons, stable managements, events and competitions, after school clubs, lunch clubs and holiday clubs, day trips and social events.

When planning our activities for the year the committee have considered the commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance from the charities for the advancement of horse riding.

### **Achievements and Performance**

The Haworth RDA are keen to offer a range of services during the week and over the course of the year that our riders find beneficial, for example riding lessons, pony club activities, dances, competitions, arts and crafts etc. We have 31 regular riders at present and offer 31 sessions each week.

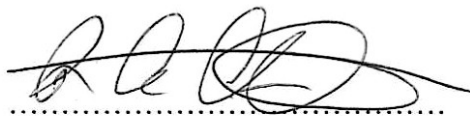
We had seventeen of our riders compete in the RDA virtual championships .

Six young people have used us to facilitate their work placements from school or college.

Three young people used us to facilitate their Duke of Edinburgh Award

**Chairpersons Report for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024.**

Over the past years the Haworth RDAG has reached more people in the community, whilst offering respite care to the families and carers of our riders, in a wider scale. This was achieved with the help and support of the Big Lottery Fund providing salaries, and with the help from our volunteers and several staff delivering fund raising activities each month, whilst still providing the therapeutic lessons each week. The group has maintained a high-level profile in the local community enabling them to delivery their service, whilst reaching over 30 community groups each year.



Date..... 15-5-2025.

Chairperson



### **Report of the Trustees for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024.**

Haworth riding for the disabled (Haworth RDA) was founded in August 2001. The charity employs 1 full-time staff member and 8 part-time staff, salaries for these posts is funded by the Big Lottery Fund (Restricted Income).

The Charity also relies on its volunteers.

The charity holds monthly committee meetings during the year in which all the trustees attend.

All trustees are already familiar with the practical work of the charity, being parents/careers of some of our riders or are existing volunteers. We are always seeking the help of new trustees.

An induction process is in place for new trustees, which involves awareness of a trustee's responsibilities, the governing document, administrative procedures, the history and philosophical approach of the charity.

The Management committee conduct regular reviews of the major risks to which the charity is exposed, where appropriate, systems and procedures have been established to litigate the risks it faces.

All trustees, staff and volunteers over the age of 16 are DBS verified.

To demonstrate its concern for all members of the community it employs and serves, Haworth RDA will seek to promote equal opportunities in both letter and the spirit of the law so that no person connected with the charity shall be disadvantaged as a result of their gender, race, sexuality, age or ability.

All individuals involved with the charity and using its services will be expected to support this policy and to ensure that their activities reflect this commitment.

The charity has the following; an equal opportunities policy which must be published and reviewed annually, an acceptable constitution, adequate insurance including employers and public liability, a written complaints procedure, health and safety policy, notice of management committee meetings, committee minutes, a budget which must be reported quarterly and independently examined annually and, with regard to the employment of staff has to provide a written statement of employment particulars, job description and personnel specifications, a written disciplinary and grievance procedure and must comply with the health and safety at work act 1974 and other related legislation.

All these can be obtained from the registered office.

We registered as a CIO (Charitable Incorporated Organisation) in February 2018 as endorsed within RDA National's guidelines.

Signed on behalf of the trustees

.....*May Grew*.....

Date *15-05-2025*

Trustee.

## **Officials and Advisors**

### Executive Committee

Chairperson	Alan Gibson
Vice Chair	Mary Green
Secretary	Phoebe Dearden
Treasurer	Nicola Hargreaves

### Committee Members

Alan Gibson  
Cathy Gibson  
Phoebe Dearden  
Nicola Hargreaves  
Jill Hudson  
Dave Judson  
Darrell Butterfield  
Mary Green

### Advisors

Laura Butterfield

### Independent Examiner

Richard Brennard

### Registered Charity Number

1177287

Registered Office                      Vale Mill Lane Stables, Vale Mill Lane, Haworth, BD22 0EF

Bankers                                      Lloyds Bank PLC, 45 Hustlergate, Bradford, BD1 1NT

## Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of Haworth RDA

Year ended 31st October 2024

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 October 2024, which are set out within these reports and accounts.

### **Respective responsibilities of the trustee and examiner**

As a charities trustee you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that an audit requirement of section 43 (2) of the charities act 1993 does not apply and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibly to:

- 1) Examine the accounts under section 43 (3) (b) of the 1993 act;
- 2) To follow the procedure laid down in the general directions given by the charity commoners under section n43 (7) (b) of the act;
- 3) In addition, to state whether particulars matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of independents Examiners Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the charity commissioners. An examination included a review of the accounting record kept by the charity and a comparison of the presented accounts with that record. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or discloser in the accounts, and seeking explanation from you as a trustee concerning any such matter. The procedure undertaken does 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 account.

### **Independent Examiners Statement**

In connection with my examination no matter has come to my attention:

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe in that any material respect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that
  - Proper accounting records are kept in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 act; and
  - Accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the act; or
- 2) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed and Dated by Independent Examiner

RICHARD P. BRENNARD ACMA ..... (Name)

R.P. Brennard 12 MARCH 2025 ..... (Signature and date)

Natwest Account (Contingency Money)

0.00

Monzo Account (Remainder off roof fund/contingency money)

89,860

3,686

**Total Income**

**370,209**

**28**

## **Expenditure**

Wages

144,879

Feed/bedding/shoes

17,743

Administrative cost incl. travel

4,172

Vets/dentist/physio costs

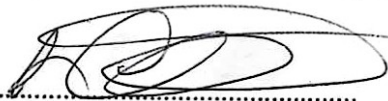
11,387

Operation costs incl. maintenance

29,116

Net income/expenditure	66,313	2,911
Balance carried forward from previous year	89,385	86,474
Cash in banks at period end	155,698	89,385

Approved by Haworth RDA Group on.....2025 and signed on their behalf:



19.3.2025

A G Gibson

Signature

Date

(Chair)



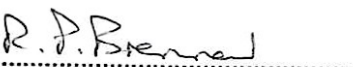
20/3/2025

Phoebe Dearden

Signature

Date

(Treasurer)



12 March 2025

RICHARD P. BRENNAN AC17A

Signature

Date

(Independent Examiner)