



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	January	2024		31	12	2024

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Surrey Heath Tree Wardens

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1178478

Charity's principal address

23 Larchwood Glade

Camberley

Surrey

Postcode

GU15 3UW

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Trefor Hogg	Chair		
2	Jerry Brownlee	Vice-Chair		
3	Savitri Kegge	Treasurer		
4	Tim Searle			
5	Yvette Jones	Secretary		
6	Phil Green			
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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Honorary Solicitor	Attieh Fard	fardnco.com Fard & Co Solicitors 377-399 London Road, Camberley GU15 3HL

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

Constitution

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

CIO with Members

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Trustees may be appointed by the Board of Trustees. New Trustees are then approved at the next AGM along with any Trustees seeking re-approval. Any member may propose a Trustee at the AGM provided one month's notice is given in writing to the Secretary and the proposal is signed by two other members as proposer and seconder together with a signed statutory declaration by the person proposed that they would accept the position and are a proper and fit person to be a Trustee.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Financial Controls Policy
Risk Management Policy
Health and Safety Policy

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objects of the CIO are:
 To promote for the benefit of the public in Surrey Heath and neighbouring areas the conservation protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment by promoting biological diversity.
 To advance the education of the public in the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Surrey Heath Tree Wardens undertakes:

- Conservation works in relation to woodlands, tree planting and the conservation and protection of trees
- Works to encourage the planting and protection of trees
- Provides education on the benefits provided by trees especially their role in creating and engendering biodiversity and their role in improving human physical and mental health

These activities are undertaken for the benefit of the public within the area of benefit for the charity.

The trustees have at all times had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Our charity is exclusively based on volunteers and does not employ or pay anyone to carry out work on its behalf. Our volunteers are fully recognised by us as our main resource in delivering our charitable objectives.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Warren Wood - GU16 8SW Ancient Woodland Restoration. (1.35 Hectares)

This was our first working site which commenced in November 2018. We are now finally at the end of the removal of invasive species, mainly Holly, Laurel, and a small amount of Snowberry. Once again during the year we were delighted to have support from Surrey Choices. Our volunteers have done an amazing job and it is lovely to see the flowering of revived native plant life, including Daffodils, Anemone and Bluebells, to hear bird song which had been missing for many years, and note the large amount of Badger activity in this beautiful woodland oasis surrounded by housing. Our average Volunteer turnout at this site is estimated as about 5 per session. Going forward, we now need to keep the wood clear of regrowth from the invasives and garden (domestic) plants, to encourage the native plants to thrive for future generations to enjoy.

R M A Sandhurst GU15 4PQ -Woodland Maintenance and Ivy Reduction

This was a new site for us in 2022, and is not without its challenges due to security protocols and staff communications. However, we have overcome these challenges so far, and much enjoyed our efforts. We were invited to work with RMA as the trees planted in the late 1800s are very much mature now and need a helping hand to overcome the Ivy and some under storey competition.

Volunteer numbers on this project are about 4 to 5 per session which is very acceptable, considering that we work there one Saturday per month, and all helpers have to be security cleared, which takes time.

Frimley Green Recreation Ground and Woodland GU16 6LB - Approximately 1,000 saplings were planted at Frimley Green Recreation Ground.

Further, we are now carrying out a large amount of old dense understorey clearance to allow the woodland to once again rejuvenate and improve sight-lines and security for walkers. Average Volunteer numbers per session between 9 to 13 per session.

Crawley Ridge Junior and Infant School Sites (2)
GU15 2AJ

At both schools we have enhanced outside Forest Schools at both these sites, to enable pupils to be taught outside, and in a woodland context, about the environment and all things nature. This is very much part of our educational aims.

Bullswater Common, GU24 0LZ

We helped build a Dead Hedge to contain Goats whilst they are on the heathland for environmental purposes.

Section E Financial review

While income has been limited, we have sufficient funds to be comfortable at the moment and have no immediate concerns. Income during the year was £166.50 against expenditure of £579.66 leaving us funds of £2,286.42

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Surrey Heath Tree Wardens retains a £500 reserve in accordance with our Reserves Policy for the purpose of supporting an orderly shutdown of activities if the charity were to encounter an event or events that meant the charity ceased to be viable.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Trefor Ian James Hogg

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

4th September 2025

SURREY HEATH TREE WARDEN
ACCOUNTS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024

DATE	DESCRIPTION	Income	Expenditure	BALANCE
31/12/2023	Opening Balance			£2,699.58

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DATE	DESCRIPTION	Income	Expenditure	BALANCE
b/f from 2023				£2,699.58
4th January 2024	Clients Deposit	£8.00		£2,707.58
13th February 2024	Clients Deposit	£10.00		£2,717.58
12th March 2024	Clients Deposit	£8.00		£2,725.58
16th April 2024	Clients Deposit	£8.00		£2,733.58
25th April 2024	West End Village Hall		£100.00	£2,633.58
	(Tringham Hall for AGM)			£2,633.58
8th May 2024	Clients Deposit	£10.00		£2,643.58
11th June 2024	Clients Deposit	£8.00		£2,651.58
09th July 2024	Clients Deposit	£9.50		£2,661.08
17th July 2024	J Brownlee - AGM Refreshments		£92.58	£2,568.50
17th July 2024	J Brownlee - Snacks for Volunteers		£33.20	£2,535.30
07th August 2024	Zurich Charities Insurance		£170.24	£2,365.06
13th August 2024	Clients Deposit	£12.50		£2,377.56
02nd September 2024	West End Social Club (SHTW - AGM)		£40.00	£2,337.56
10th September 2024	Clients Deposit	£10.00		£2,347.56
23rd September 2024	Blackwater Valley Membership		£5.00	£2,342.56
23rd September 2024	West End Village Fete (Donation for Trees)	£50.00		£2,392.56
15th October 2024	Clients Deposit	£12.50		£2,405.06
31st October 2024	Tim Brit-Searle		£36.12	£2,368.94
12th November 2024	Clients Deposit	£10.00		£2,378.94
10th December 2024	Clients Deposit	£10.00		£2,388.94
30th December 2024	J Brownlee - Snacks for Volunteers		£102.52	£2,286.42
		£166.50	£579.66	£2,286.42