

New Earswick Nature Reserve



Annual Report and Financial Statements for the Year ended

31 December 2023

Trustees Annual Report

From: 1st January 2023

To: 31st December 2023

Charity's Full Name New Earswick Nature Reserve

Registered Charity number 1180502

Objectives and activities

Summary of purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document

New Earswick Nature Reserve CIO was created to promote for the benefit of the public the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment of New Earswick Nature Reserve.

Summary of main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects, or services identified in the accounts.

New Earswick Nature Reserve CIO exists to promote, conserve and improve the New Earswick Nature Reserve (the Nature Reserve). It is also keen to educate the public in all aspects of that by promoting Open Days and visits to other similar events; carrying out projects and any other work of a practical nature, both on its own and with other like-minded groups, to improve, enhance and conserve the Nature Reserve.

The Trustees consider that they have complied with their duties to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Additional details of objectives and activities.

We have continued to recruit more new volunteer members most of whom are active in maintaining the Nature Reserve. Open Day attendance has increased with an extra "Christmas" event added last year which was very successful. We also received several donations last year towards running costs.

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.

During in the financial period its most active elements have performed as follows:

Management:

Further ongoing tree management to the Willows on the island to ensure a safe, secure environment for all who visit. Maintenance and re-surfacing of the footpaths ensuring that access to and around the Nature Reserve, including wheelchair and electric buggy access, is available for all. (To be completed in 2024.) Improvements to the water by the removal of pond weed. Clearance of several areas to improve bio-diversity.

Publicity:

Continued to promote the Nature Reserve on social media.

Funding:

Continued to run Open Days including Easter, Halloween and Christmas and themed events promoting nature reserve wildlife and flora Continued support from the New Earswick Residents Forum contributed to the Nature Reserve's public liability insurance. Application for various grants is ongoing.

Future Planning:

A schedule of maintenance and development work for the forthcoming year is in operation.

We are awaiting the sign-off of plans for our Building from CoYC Building Control unit.

Further major tree work will be carried out, including the pollarding of several Willows, and the pond weed will continue to be monitored to see if further intervention is necessary.

Resurfacing of footpaths will be continued in 2024 using a combination of stone and wood chippings..

Financial Review**Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period**

The charity remains solvent with adequate reserves and funding for the future.

Statement explaining policy for holding reserves stating why they are held

The Trustees maintain a level of reserves to ensure that the Nature Reserve can function at least in the short term in the absence of income along with accommodating funds for future projects.

Amount of reserves held

£41,544.12 of unrestricted reserves.

Funds materially in deficit

N/a

Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern

N/a

Structure, governance and management**Description of the Charity's trusts**

Type of governing document	Constitution
How is the charity constituted	CIO
Trustee selection methods	Trustees are selected at an AGM

Reference and administrative details

Charity's full name	New Earswick Nature Reserve CIO
Other names the charity is known as	None
Charity's principal address	5 Mallory Close New Earswick YORK YO32 4 DL

Names of the trustees who manage the charity

Trustee Name	Office	Dates acted if not for whole year
Ian Peter Nicholson		
Christopher Mark Adams	Secretary	
Michael Alan Longhurst	Treasurer	
Gregory Watson		
Maurice Jenkinson		
Malcolm Lawrence Smith		
Paul Stewart Widd	Chair	
Stephen Harper		

Names of trustees holding property belonging to the charity

Trustees Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
N/a	

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Annual Report and Accounts.

Signed on behalf on the charity's trustees

Signature

P. S. Widd

Full Name PAUL STEWART WIDD

Position CHAIRMAN

Date 30/4/24

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
FOR THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY 2023 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total 2023
RECEIPTS			
J.R.H.T Grant	£8,367.00		£8,367.00
Sales		£3,833.17	£3,833.17
Other Income			
Donations		£2464.34	2,464.34
Keys		£1,220.00	£1,220.00
59 Club		£1648.00	£1648.00
Easy Fund Raising		£47.01	£47.01
NERF Donations		£142.62	£142.62
Logs/Chippings/Trees		£365.00	£365.00
Toilet Hire		£120.00	£120.00
Amazon		£30.50	£30.50
Total	£8,367.00	£9,870.64	£18,237.64
PAYMENTS			
J.R.H.T. Expenditure	£8,366.00		£8,366.00
J.R.H.T. Unused Funds#	£1.00		£1.00
D-Technical		£3,480.00	£3,480.00
Paypal Commission		£13.39	£13.39
Total	£8,367.00	£3,493.39	£11,860.39
Surplus			£6,377.25

Unspent portion of grant retained by J.R.H.T. as per agreement

Bank 1/1/23	£35,166.87
Bank 31/12/23	£41,544.12
Surplus for 2023	£ 6,377.25

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITES AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2023

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total 2023
ASSETS			
Cash at bank and in hand			
Bank Current Account	--	£41,544.12	£41,544.12
Cash in hand	--	--	--
	--	£ 00.00	£ 00.00
LIABILITIES			
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