



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From

Period start date

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2022

To

Period end date

31

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2022

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

WOODSMOKE GROUP

Other names charity is known by**Registered charity number (if any)**

1181464

Charity's principal address

39 Tunstall Park

Sunderland

Tyne and Wear

Postcode

SR2 7SJ

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 James McGeorge

Chair

2 Alan Henderson

Secretary

3 Joshua Gateshill

Treasurer

4 Austin Ward

5 Alistair Briggs

6 William McGeorge

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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name**Dates acted if not for whole year**

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adopted 7th January 2019
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually at the Annual General Meeting held in July

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.

Membership of the club is open to young people aged between 9 and 21 mainly residing in the Sunderland locality. The trustees oversee the day to day running of the group. The trustees seek the views of members, the group's youth workers and volunteers in deciding the activities to be run. There is a child protection policy in place. Disclosure and Barring Service checks are carried out on everyone over the age of 18 prior to commencement of employment, voluntary participation, or trusteeship and checks are carried out again in line with statutory requirements. All trustees give their time voluntarily and received no remuneration or other benefits

Section C Objectives and activities

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

To Help young people aged 9 to 21, especially but not exclusively through leisure time activities, so as to develop their capacity and capabilities that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society

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)

In planning our activities for the year, we kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at our trustee meetings.

The main activities are as follows:

- an annual summer camp.
- a programme of youth orientated events and activities.

Our aim is to provide an educational outdoor adventure experience shaped by fun, friendship, free-thought and respect without exclusion due to financial constraints.

As they learn about themselves and others in a focused programme, they gain positive memories that they can build upon as they move into adult life whilst providing opportunities for them to become volunteers themselves.

The experience teaches the individual:

- How to make new friends and grow more independent
 - To develop social skills and self confidence
 - To respect and appreciate nature • To embrace physical activity •
- How to relax and have a break
- To take advantage of the many learning opportunities available

We welcome all young people, aged between 9 and 21, regardless of personal background, faith, gender, or personal circumstances

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Woodsmoke Group continue to recognise the importance of safeguarding and are keen to ensure we keep up to date with any changes in legislation as they happen.

Our volunteers were, as always, exceptional in keeping Woodsmoke Group in a healthy financial position through the giving of their time and monetary donations.

Woodsmoke Group's Long-Term Strategy is to increase external corporate funding, and this was a key focus in 2022. The Trustees found that 2022 was a particularly difficult year to obtain funding due to various pressures economically on those we applied for funding with. However, there were key learnings to take into 2023 around the level of detail needed to successfully obtain funding from external sources.

However, Woodsmoke were extremely fortunate to be selected as part of the Co-Op Community Fund, which saw Co-Op shoppers in our Local area able to contribute funds to Woodsmoke through their daily and weekly shopping.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

2022 saw Woodsmoke's first Summer Camp since the pandemic, and the 100th Camp ever of its kind. Summer Camps are our primary objective and on reflection the Trustees believe the Summer Camp of 2022 to be an extremely successful event.

Normally Woodsmoke Camp's have a core group of Campers who attend year on year, with only a few new additions annually. However, 2022 saw Woodsmoke presented with the challenge of 18 new Campers, out of a total of 42. Additionally, a lot of our new attendees were of a younger age, therefore potentially on their first ever residential trip.

Despite these challenges, Woodsmoke Summer Camp saw full attendance for the full 10 days of Camp, with many parents/guardians requesting to sign up again in 2023.

Another important achievement of 2022 was the careful management of finances, in an unstable economic climate. All costs, such as activities, food and maintenance, were assessed and closely monitored to ensure that they did not increase to the extent of those we saw in the rest of the UK. Also, a strong relationship with service providers we have used for years, allowed us to maintain some costs at a pre-pandemic level.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Cash at bank on 31/12/22 was £8,458. Which was roughly a £4k increase in our reserves. Restricted funds remain at £81, which will be allocated towards DBS checks in 2023. Funds were increased overall due to 2 notable donations and diligent budgeting of costs.

The main financial risk to Woodsmoke Group continues to be any unexpected maintenance costs, however, year on year we are adapting to any challenges presented. All funds kept in bank at year end are with the intent of being able to maintain a safe environment within the main Summer Camp.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Not Applicable

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

All expenditure is key in supporting Woodsmoke Group's objectives, as it is ensuring we are providing the safe environment in the future, that enables all of our key objectives.

Section F

Other optional information

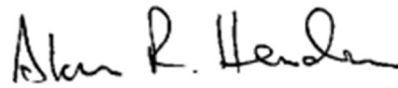
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Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Joshua Gateshill

Alan Henderson

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Treasurer

Secretary

Date

31/10/2023



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES



Woodsmoke Group	1181464
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Receipts and payments accounts

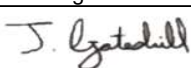
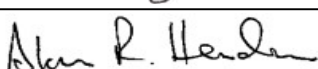
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For the period from	1/1/2022	To	31/12/2022
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted to the nearest £	Restricted to the nearest £	Endowment to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	15,311	-	-	15,311	-
Donations - Fundraising by Volunteers	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted Funds (DBS Donation)	-	-	-	-	-
Gift Aid	1,013	-	-	1,013	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	16,324	-	-	16,324	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	16,324	-	-	16,324	-
A3 Payments					
Cost Of Fundraising Events	7,033	387	-	7,420	-
Repairs and Maintenance	3,220	-	-	3,220	-
Light and Heating	-	-	-	-	-
Water and Sewerage	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance	821	-	-	821	-
Printing, Postage, Stationery & Printing Supplies	13	-	-	13	-
Sub total	11,087	387	-	11,474	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Purchase of Fixed Assets	410	-	-	410	-
Sub total	410	-	-	410	-
Total payments	11,497	387	-	11,884	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	4,827	- 387	-	4,440	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	3,550	468	-	4,018	-
Cash funds this year end	8,377	81	-	8,458	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted to nearest £	Restricted to nearest £	Endowment to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank	8,377	81	-
	Total cash funds	8,377	81	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Cooking Facilities	Unrestricted	-	-
	Medium Bell Tents	Unrestricted	-	-
	Storage Containers	Unrestricted	-	-
	Toilet Facilities	Unrestricted	-	-
	Shower Facilities	Unrestricted	-	-
	Marquee Tents	Unrestricted	-	-
	Ridge Tents	Unrestricted	-	-
	Large Bell Tents	Unrestricted	-	-
		Fund to which	Amount due	When due
B5 Liabilities			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of	
		Joshua Gateshill	31/10/2023	
		Alan Henderson	31/10/2023	