

# SUSTAINABLE NORTHWICH

England & Wales - Charity number 1186841

## Details

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Other names	TRANSITION NORTHWICH
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2019-12-09
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE PROMOTION OF THE CONSERVATION, PROTECTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT AND PRUDENT USE OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC IN NORTHWICH AND BEYOND BY:A) ADVANCING EDUCATION AND RAISING AWARENESS OF CLIMATE CHANGE, RESOURCE SCARCITY, PEAK OIL AND ECONOMIC RESILIENCE;B) PROMOTING INDIVIDUAL, COMMUNITY AND ORGANISATIONAL COMMITMENT TO A REDUCTION IN CO2 EMISSIONS, ENERGY SAVING, REDUCING RELIANCE UPON CARBON EMITTING ENERGY SOURCES;C)INCREASING RESILIENCE TO RESOURCE SCARCITY;D) ENCOURAGING TO REUSE, RECYCLE AND REDUCE WASTE

**Activities:** Unpaid volunteers operating in Northwich and surrounding parishes seeking the regeneration and transition of the local community, economy and environment in line with the objectives of the Transition Town Initiative

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Cheshire West & Chester

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£312	£1,165	-	-
2024-04-05	£1,698	£3,381	-	-
2023-04-05	£1,323	£2,797	-	-
2022-04-05	£6,470	£3,285	-	-
2021-04-05	£14,645	£4,849	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
ANTHONY JAMES POWELL		2019-04-15
Alison chew		2022-05-16
Jonathon Hampshire		2022-05-16
Pamela french		2022-05-16

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DATE		INCOME	SPENDING	BALANCE	DATE
6/4/24	STARTING BALANCE			11,578.33	B
10/4	LOCAL GIVING	1.19			17/
17/4	GRASS SEED - TOOLSTATION		18.98		
13/5	LOCAL GIVING	1.19			
15/5	EBAY - SHREDDER BLADES		9.99		
28/5	CASH TO PETTY CASH GARDEN		50.00	11,508.74	29/
10/7	CWAC - ANNUAL RENT		150.00	11,358.74	9/
7/8	LIDL - COMPOST & MILK CONNECTORS		6.16	11,345.58	
4/9	TOOLSTATION - HOSE		4.18		
12/9	AA - POSCA PENS		33.37	11,308.03	
7/10	K FALLON - ROOM HIRE		13.50	11,294.53	
2/10	PLANTERS - RAILWAY ST		4.00		
4/11	AA		33.44		
12/11	EASY FUNDRAISING	15.09			
14/11	AA	22			
14/11	AA - WREATH WORKSHOP	142.42		11,040.60	
28/11	K FALLON - ROOM RENT		10		
2/12	AM - BATTERY MOWER		110.57		
4/12	GROUNDWORKS Xmas stall	130			
13/12	WILDLIFE CAMERA - AA DREW BELLIS		147.77	10,902.26	
21/1/25	HYNOT LEAFLETS		177.44	10,724.82	
5/4/25	YR END	311.89	1165.40	10,724.82	

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6/4/23 - 5/4/24

DATE	INCOME	SPENDING	BALANCE
6/4/23	STARTING BALANCE CC		13,261.68
15/4/23	WOOD-GAZEBO AA	228.40	
"	G. TREASURE		
"	BLADE FOR WOOD G.T.	24.49	
"	A ALLUM - CHILDREN'S PLANT STILL	222.49	12,686.30
24/4/23	AA TALK TO VIRGIN - 200	500	
26/4	LOCAL GIVING	1.19	
5/5	" "	4.55	13,192.04
15/5	Am-Tarp & Grounds	25.59	
22/5	ROTARY	500	13,686
24/5	TOOLSTATION - HOOKS	1.09	
"	SCRENFIX - ELASTICS	5.99	13,659.33
2/6	GROUNDWORKS	350	
2/6	LOCAL GIVING	4.55	
7/6	" "	1.19	14,015.11
14/6	" "	1.19	14,016.30
19/6	Sales dressings - Pam	23.85	13,992.45
19/6	BIG SHED	1206	12,786.45
23/6	DONNA-MIDDFULLNES	50	
23/6	LYNNE-BREAD MAKING	64.83	12,671.83
29/6	JAN-MOSAICS	150	
30/6	LOCAL GIVING-MEMB	180	
12/7	" "	9.61	12,351.23
19/7	" "	4.55	
2/8	" "	8.11	
15/8	AM - SL WASHING UP L CR	25.76	
"	B&Q WHEELBARROW	53.90	
16/8	LOCAL GIVING	1.19	12,285.42
31/8	" "	4.55	
4/9	B&Q WHEELBARROW REFUND	53.90	
11/9	TOOLSTATION	2.09	12,306
27/9	LOCAL GIVING	4.55	12,346
		1449.13	2364.48

DATE	INCOME	SPENDING	BALANCE
B/F	1449.13	2364.48	
18/10/23	LOCAL GIVING	1.19	12,347.52
23/10	ORCHARD SUPPORT WORK	192	12,155.52
1/11	LOCAL GIVING	4.55	
15/11	" "	1.19	12,161.26
17/11	P FRENCH-LIGHTS	38.65	
20/11	M CHEN-PRINTER INK	56.79	
"	A ALLUM-SHED	100	
20/11	G TREASURE-SHED	280.91	
29/11	LOCAL GIVING	4.55	
1/12	GROUNDWORK	120	11,809.46
13/12	TOOLSTATION-BUCKET	10.77	
13/12	LOCAL GIVING	1.19	
15/12	ROTARY-FOR WILDLIFE CAMERA	100-	11,904
10/1/24	LOCAL GIVING	4.55	11,904
31/1/24	" "	4.55	11,908
7/2	" "	1.19	
19/2	LAURA LIMER PRIDE QUILT DONATION	80-	
19/2	PL INSURANCE-AA	207.12	11,623.12
4/3	TOOLSTATION-GLASS NET PROTECT	50.46	
4/3	LOCAL GIVING	5.74	
5/4/24	YR END	1697.83	3381.16
	Income Breakdown		
CC	Donations & Legacies +	600	
	Charitable Activities	1098	
	Other trading Activities	0	
	Investments	0	
	Other	0	

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DATE	FROM TO	INCOME	SPENDING	BALANCE
6/4/22	STARTING BALANCE			14,735.98
27/4/22	LOCAL GIVING		4.65	14,741.82
5/5	"		1.19	
19/5	"		132	
20/5	CHA DONNA-TAI CHI		55.73	
24/5	CHA JANINE R-FIELD		2.38	14,557.66
26/5	LOCAL GIVING		4.65	
1/6	"		5.84	
29/6	"		96	
30/6	DD LOCAL GIVING TABLE		10	
4/7	CHA ROTARY RIVER FESTIVAL			
20/7	LOCAL GIVING		1.19	
27/7	"		4.65	14,467.99
17/8	"		1.19	
1/9	"		4.65	
12/9	DONNA TAI-CHI		198	
14/9	LOCAL GIVING		1.19	14,277.02
28/9	"		4.65	
24/10	SO PAM FRENCH-RODS EXP	21.79		P
"	SO JANE KELLY-Google Exp	31.98		P
"	SO MARK THOMPSON-TALK	40		P
"	SO PAM FRENCH-GREENHOUSE	104.10		P
26/10	LOCAL GIVING		1.19	
3/11	"		4.65	
19/11	Colleen Rowell			14,089.64
23/11	LOCAL GIVING		75.99	14,013.65 P
30/11	"		1.19	
14/12/22	ZURICH-INSURANCE		4.65	
	RAMP-MATERIALS		196.73	
	PRINTING-BIG GREEN		96.84	
16/12/22	ALVIS PRINTING-PROTEST LEAFLET		10.50	13,715.42
			100	13,615.42 P
		49.10	1169.66	13,615.42

RECEIPTS	P=PAPER D=DOWNLOAD E=EMAIL	DATE	INCOME	SPENDING	BALANCE	RECEIPT
		BE	49.10	1169.66	13,615.42	
		22/12		1.19		
		28/12/23		4.55		
		24/1		196.73		P
		25/1		1.19		
		1/2		4.55		
		3/2		60	13,490.17	
		8/2		29.85		P
		13/2		560		P
		16/2		1092 -		
		21/2		342	13,650.32 P	
		27/2		53.28	13,597.04 P	
		26/2		12.98	13,584.06 P	
		1/3		25.16	13,609.22	
		22/3		80.01		
		27/3		50		P
		29/3		5.74		
		30/3		5.44		P
		"		25.60		P
		"		240	13,373.98 P	
		4/4		85		P
		"		27.25	13,261.68 P	
		5/4/23				
		YR END	1323.49	2797.79	13,261.68	

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 6/4/21  
end date

Period start date To 5/4/22

Period

Charity name: Transition Northwich

Charity registration number: 1186841

### Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	THE PROMOTION OF THE CONSERVATION, PROTECTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT AND PRUDENT USE OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC IN NORTHWICH AND BEYOND BY: A) ADVANCING EDUCATION AND RAISING AWARENESS OF CLIMATE CHANGE, RESOURCE SCARCITY, PEAK OIL AND ECONOMIC RESILIENCE; B) PROMOTING INDIVIDUAL, COMMUNITY AND ORGANISATIONAL COMMITMENT TO A REDUCTION IN CO2 EMISSIONS, ENERGY SAVING, REDUCING RELIANCE UPON CARBON EMITTING ENERGY SOURCES; C) INCREASING RESILIENCE TO RESOURCE SCARCITY; D) ENCOURAGING TO REUSE, RECYCLE AND REDUCE WASTE
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	We provided 10 tablets for library users to access books and magazines during lockdown. Supported by a book club in association with Northwich Library. Summer free tai chi outside classes Organised painting and craft workshops Twice weekly activities at Rods Secret Garden.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>Yes</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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.	Para 1.20	Weekly free lunches at Rods secret garden are popular and enable people to enjoy company at the same time as using food that would otherwise have gone to waste.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	

Other		
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## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Good
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>£14,736</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	We bank with the co-operative bank. Which is ethical
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Lack of volunteers
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more	Para 1.25	

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

<b>Director name</b>		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## Other optional information

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## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

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Position (eg  
Secretary, Chair, etc)

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Date

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Table 1

Date	From/to	Income	Spending	Balance
06/04/2021	Starting balance			11,550.54
21/4/21	Local giving	9.74		11,560.28
28/4/21	Local giving	4.65		11,564.93
4/5/21	AA-Not a reading group		1470	10,094.93
17/5/21	Townley Insurance		359.30	
17/5/21	Townley Insurance		25	9710.63
3/6/21	Local giving	4.65		
18/6/21	Transfer	500		
28/6/21	Neighbourly together fund	1000		
30/6/21	Local giving annual memb		96	
30/6/21	Donna Tai Chi Summer		400	
30/6/21	Local giving	4.65		10,723.93
5/8/21	The climate movement	2070		
25/8/21	Local giving	4.65		
9/9/21	Local giving	504.66		
29/9/21	Local giving	4.65		
7/10/21	Local giving	29.42		
27/10/21	Local giving	4.65		
5/11/21	Co-op	1534.80		
22/11/21	Chq- Painting glass		224.90	14651.85
8/12/21	Prism studios ltd		192.54	
30/12/21	Local giving	9.30		
24/1/22	Sarah Pendleton-sharp		288.73	14179.88
28/1/22	Donna-tai chi		165	
28/1/22	Pam-Rods garden equipment		63.06	
8/2/22	Local giving	4.65		13956.47
2/3/22	Local giving	4.65		
9/3/21	Local giving	20.21		
25/3/22	Groundwork	750		
30/3/21	Local giving	4.65		
5/4/21	CLOSING BALANCE	6469.98	3284.53	14,735.99

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Despite the ongoing challenges of Covid, Transition Northwich have been able to adapt to changing circumstances. Some of the challenges we faced were lockdowns and other restrictions where there was no opportunity to meet in person. Making the most of digital alternatives, we used Zoom and apps like Trello to keep in touch and keep practical projects ticking over.

As we are aware that some of our volunteers have mental health problems, as soon as we were able to, we recommenced practical projects to enable our volunteers to meet up, albeit with restrictions on numbers and maintaining social distancing.

Whilst we wish to give as full a report as possible, we are aware that there will be many reports to read and have therefore given an overview of some of our key projects, rather than reporting each project in minute detail. A list of projects, large and small, can be found below this report.

We are very fortunate to have the use of an amazing garden which was created over many years by a keen gardener, the late Rod Inwood. Rod's family have kindly offered us use of the garden as a base where we can maintain and develop the garden, including using the space for regular and one-off events run by ourselves and other local groups. The garden is at the rear of a row of terraced houses and we have been able to develop close ties with the neighbours, for example, by inviting them to join us in the garden for events, helping improve the garden of a neighbour with disabilities and creating an oral history account of neighbours who had lived in the street all their lives.

Another key site we are involved with is the Dane Valley Community Orchard which was created some years ago and had fallen into a state of disrepair and neglect. With well thought out development plans and support from the local Police officers concerned with anti-social behaviour in the area, the orchard has been brought back to life with activities being used as opportunities for volunteers to learn new skills they can use at home and pass on to others. Activities are continuing with financial, professional and practical support from Groundwork CLM

In the broader remit of a Transition group, helping communities to embrace changes in the face of climate and eco emergencies. Following a successful series of discussions based on ways in which the effects of climate change could be reduced, a weekly Climate Café has been held in a local café to provide further opportunities for discussion, education and action, for example letter writing and protest marches. A co-ordinated approach meant that time and effort were not wasted by reinventing the wheel. Awareness raising talks and activities have also been held in local schools.

Tai chi sessions have been held between a shopping area and the river in Northwich. These have been arranged in such a way that passers by are encouraged to join us. The sessions have also been suitable for people who have physical limitations by providing adapted ideas for people in chairs.

During one of the lockdown periods, a book club was launched in conjunction with Northwich Library. iPads were distributed to those who had no pc, for example, so that they were able to access books online. The joint sessions involved people talking about a book they had read, rather than a more prescriptive approach where all participants read the same book.

There are other projects listed below. Transition Northwich is pleased to have been able to continue working with local people in both practical and awareness raising projects. Finally we would like to wholeheartedly thank all our volunteers, partner organisations and those who have participated in events. We couldn't have done this without you!

### **TN: Activities completed in 2020**

Ongoing:

Maintenance of Rod's Secret Garden

Weekly volunteer sessions

Regular shared lunches

Plant sharing with neighbours

Maintaining and planting up a communal area of rough ground

Developing the garden behind Northwich Library

Restoring Dane Valley Community Orchard

Regular maintenance and repairs + demonstrations and hands on sessions such as growing cordon fruit

Weekly Climate Cafe to raise awareness of environmental issues

Termly sessions of Tai-Chi provided free of charge (sponsored by Magic Grants)

Online Art Workshops

Post Covid - Thank you event (Sponsored by Virgin Media)

Oral history recordings (with Oak Street residents)

Installation of a new boundary fence and improved access to Rod's Garden

## **Transition Northwich**

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email: transitionnorthwich@gmx.com.

Banking address: 132 Walnut Drive, Weaverham, Northwich, CW8 3DX

### **End of year accounts 9 December 2019 - 8 December 2020**

**Opening balance: £1136.51**

**Closing balance: £8715.85**

**Income: £11,685.86**

- 1) Funding: £11,400
  - Bright Ideas : £10,400
  - Cheshire Community Trust: £1000
- 2) Local Giving donations: £84.32
- 3) Compensation from Co-op bank: £150
- 4) Transfer from petty cash: £106.04

**Expenditure: £4736.16**

- 1) Fees to TN Coordinator: £3879.88
- 2) Insurance: £266.56
- 3) Subscription to Local Giving £96
- 4) Fees to other contractors: £687
  - a. Donna Burston, Tai Chi classes, £370
  - b. Patreon, on-line art classes with Beth Barlow £217.28
  - c. Cheshire Wildlife Trust, crowdfunding for fencing to new beaver enclosure at Delamere £100
- 5) Other: £16, Frames for donated art sketches, from Patreon

**Ring-fenced Funds held**

***£500 Local Giving (Tai Chi 2020-2021)***

**Balance of income over expenditure for year 2019-2020**

**£6949.70**

Paul Mathias,

Treasurer and Trustee

13 March 2021