



New Leaf Alresford

Report of the trustees for the year ending 31 March 2025.

The Trustees present their annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Our Aims

New Leaf Alresford was registered as a CIO on the 4 March 2020 and this is the Trustees fifth annual report.

The charity operates under the New Leaf Alresford Constitution dated 10th August 2024 to comply with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011. The Constitution was updated during this year to recognise the addition of another trustee: J. Cridland.

The objects of the charity are to promote, for the benefit of the public, the conservation and improvement of the physical and natural environment. This is achieved by providing information and guidance, improving environmental awareness and promoting sustainable living.

New Leaf Alresford aims to provide local information and advice, to help the community adopt the positive changes needed to tackle climate change, promote sustainability and protect our environment through the New Leaf Website: www.newleafalresford.org and via Facebook and Instagram. We participate locally on projects which help to tackle climate change, reduce waste and boost biodiversity.

Our Objectives

Our objectives are set to reflect our aims of promoting sustainability and waste reduction, tackling climate change and boosting biodiversity.

Our objectives for the year included:

To continue work and to grow and develop membership and links with other community groups.

To continue to support the verges management pilot in Alresford.

To reduce waste and increase recycling locally.

Promoting greener, more sustainable living.

Review of Activities and Achievement

To Grow and Develop New Leaf Membership

We continued to hold the monthly 'New Leaf Natter' which offers a social gathering for our supporters with the opportunity to meet other members, discuss topics and plan projects. The New Leaf WhatsApp group allows key supporters to collaborate and communicate outside of meetings and now has 18 members. A separate Community Growing Whats App group has 12 members.

Community Awareness, New Leaf Website and Social Media

The charity continues to maintain and update the New Leaf website, providing information as well as adding new content, which is promoted through social media, to encourage people to visit the website. This year we introduced a feature on local sustainability champions, where local community members talk about the changes they have made in their own lives to be more sustainable.

A New Leaf Alresford trustee continues to participate in the Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Group supporting adoption of measures within the plan to help tackle climate change, enhance biodiversity and future-proof the town. This work is ongoing.

3 New Leaf Alresford Trustees attended an evening with the Alresford brownies where we engaged the brownies in a number of activities to educate about topics including water conservation and food waste.

In May 2024, New Leaf Alresford held a stall in the first dedicated 'Eco area' at the Watercress Festival in the town. The stall offered educational material on display boards and games to promote energy saving and recycling.

'Six Inches of Soil' Film showing

In September 2024, as part of Winchester Green Week, New Leaf Alresford hosted a screening of the film 'Six Inches of Soil' at the Perins School. 120 people attended including four panellists who agreed to take part in the post-film question and answer session, Perins' Geography teachers and pupils and interested members of the community.

The film followed three producers in their first year using regenerative farming methods and featured relatively simple changes that enabled them to be better custodians of their land and animals. A lively discussion took place following the screening with questions and view points put forward by the audience to the panellists. The local MP attended and spoke to the audience at close the event.

Sustainability in Business Event

In November 2024, thirty local businesses owners, managers, and interested parties, attended the second 'Sustainability in Business' event to hear from two very different

businesses. The first was Dave Annette from local ethical bee farmers Honey Bee Happy. He explained how their entire business has sustainability at its heart. Their business, similar to any relying on a natural product, is directly affected by our changing climate and weather patterns. They give a great deal of thought to the materials they use and soon their items will be entirely plastic-free. They are constantly reassessing and looking for better solutions. This was followed by Adam Holden from the oldest English wine institution Berry Bros and Rudd spoke to us about a very different type of business. Berry Bros and Rudd turns over £250M per year and employs 420 people. Berry Bros and Rudd is keen to focus on the aspects of their business they can influence. This included transportation within the UK, where they have moved their fleet of vehicles to 40% electric, and are using Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil (HVO) to fuel the remaining diesel vehicles which are still needed for their range. They have also worked to highlight the link between better viticulture practices and better taste, and make the case for the use of natural cork.

Reusable Plastic Cups

In 2022, the charity received approximately 2000 unwanted Alresford Music Festival branded reusable plastic cups. The charity continued operating a cup hire scheme which generates some income and reduces single plastic consumption.

Thermal Camera Loan Scheme

In December 2022, New Alresford Town Council purchased a thermal imaging camera to help Alresford residents reduce their carbon emissions and winter fuel bills. The camera allows residents to identify areas of heat loss in their homes, so that they can do something about it. The charity continued to administer the camera loan scheme for the town.

Community Growing

The community growing project has continued to go from strength to strength. A grant from the Winchester Round Table saw the purchase and installation of a greenhouse to sit alongside the shed. The year saw the first full growing season and a team of established volunteers exists with communication working well through the utilisation of a new What's App group.

Future Plans

To continue its work and to grow and develop its membership and links with other community groups.

To continue to develop the community growing project and offer opportunities for participation within the community.

To hold future community events using the experience, volunteers and materials we have garnered from the events held this year.

Our Finances

The charity received a grant of £400 from Winchester Round Table and a private donation of £482 to support the Community Growing project including purchasing a greenhouse and materials as well as holding of events including the Sustainability in Business event.

The charity made approximately £280 profit from the film screening event.

The charity also made a small profit from fundraising activities at various events, hiring out the reusable plastic cups and selling reusable Alresford shopping bags.

Charity Trustees

The New Leaf Alresford charity has 4 Trustees:

Chair

Imogen Oxley

Secretary

Samantha Dalling

Treasurer

Mark Tubb

Trustee

Jenny Cridland

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
New Leaf Alresford

No (if any)
1188343

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
4/1/2024

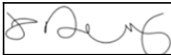
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Period end date
3/31/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Cup hire	295	270		565	172
Donation	250	882		1,132	200
Public event profits	700			700	298
Speaking event donations					
Grants					1,050
Thermal Camera Hire					60
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	1,245	1,152	-	2,397	1,780
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	1,245	1,152	-	2,397	1,780
A3 Payments					
Insurance	56			56	157
Forum Website Hosting				-	355
Promotional material	44			44	1,134
Cup hire - deposit returns	87			87	91
Show fees / event costs	210			210	405
Gardening and other equipment				-	318
Allotment		497		497	93
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	397	497	-	894	2,553
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	397	497	-	894	2,553
Net of receipts/(payments)	848	655	-	1,503	- 773
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	- 8	31	-	23	
Cash funds this year end	840	686	-	1,526	- 773

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	840	686	-
	(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	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
				-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
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