

WOLD RANGERS WAY
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the period 1 April 2021 to 31st March 2022
Registered Charity no. 1193343

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Wold Rangers Way - Charity No. 1193343

Statements of asset and liabilities for the period 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022

Cash funds

Cash at bank	9140.42
<u>Total cash funds</u>	<u>9140.06</u>

Creditors	0
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Reserves

Unrestricted	1650.30
Restricted	7490.12

Wolds Rangers Way - charity number 1193343

Receipts and payments account for the period 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022

Receipts

Receipts Grants Restricted -	12,355.00
unrestricted Grants -	1800.00
Donations	100.00
Scheme Other Income	20.50

Total Receipts	<u>£14,275.54</u>
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Payments

Training costs.	185.12
Events	1080.00
Merchandise	1950.00
Assets	1920.00

Operating Costs	<u>£5,135.12</u>
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Asset Purchase	1920.00
Net Receipts	<u>£9140.42</u>

Cash fund balances brought forward	0
Cash fund balances carried forward	<u>£9140.42</u>

Chairpersons Report for the period 1 April 2021 to 31st March 2022

The Wold Rangers Way was registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation in February 2021 but due to the pandemic launched later in that year in August. The four founding trustees are actively involved in the operation of the charity on a voluntary basis with no employed staff.

The organisation was established with three clear ambitions:

1. To educate the public in the heritage of the Yorkshire Wold Rangers;
2. The preservation and conservation of the natural environment around Driffeld and the Wolds, and;
3. The promotion and community participation in healthy recreation by encouraging walking.

The Wolds Rangers Way is a challenging circular walk which winds its way 44-miles over the Yorkshire Wolds through amazing chalk landscapes with dry valleys with stunning wildlife alongside vibrant market towns and ancient Wolds villages. It also captures the unique history of the Yorkshire Wold Rangers and ensures that their names and stories live on forever.

In addition to the main route, there are several shorter trails providing a unique, progressive way to enjoy walking. Offering a variety of guided walks and events, the Wold Rangers Way appeals to local residents and visitors alike, bringing into the area people who want to walk the Yorkshire Wolds and perhaps stay locally along the way.

The Wold Rangers Way audience is anyone wanting to experience walking in the outdoors from short accessible health walks to those seeking the challenge of trekking 44-miles in a day. All support materials, maps, guides and route planners can be accessed online free of charge with free guided walks delivered on a regular basis by experienced leaders. First aid training specific to walking was undertaken by the Trustees by a local specialist.

Following the creation of the charity much work was undertaken by the trustees (supported by key stakeholder groups and volunteers) to establish the brand, develop the online presence (including a new website and social channels), creation of walking guides/maps together with the installation of hundreds of way-marker signs along the routes. Based on early feedback over 100 colour-coded way marker signs were added to the shorter routes which correspond to the coloured jackets of the walking guides. Feedback thereafter has been totally positive; some walkers saying all the routes are the best marked they've ever come across.

In August 2021 a launch event was delivered which was attended by around 150-people. Following the launch and into 2022 numerous free

guided walks were arranged which were well received by the local and regional walking communities.

Plans for the future include to develop two new routes with maps and walking guides, delivery of the first Wold Rangers Way Walking Festival in June 2022 which will include a week-long programme of free guided walks. 'Drumming Up' - a recreation of an old Wold Ranger tradition is planned for July which will include a guided walk followed by overnight camping, entertainment and actors playing the part of Wold Rangers. Much of the original research done by the trustees into the history of the Wold Rangers was based on a book written by Countess Angela Antrim. The book is no longer in print but the trustees believe it contains a rich and valuable record of the Wolds social history as well as an insight into the lives of the Wold Rangers themselves. It is therefore the trustee's ambition to produce a reprint of the book (subject to funding and permission of the owner of the rights) with a new foreword added bringing it up to date with the story of the Wold Rangers Way walks.