

THE BOTHIES

England & Wales · Charity number 1195264

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2021-07-22

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

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Scampston Walled Garden
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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF NORTH YORKSHIRE AND THE SURROUNDING AREA THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR RECREATION OR OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION OF INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE NEED OF SUCH FACILITIES BY REASON OF THEIR YOUTH, AGE, INFIRMITY OR DISABLEMENT, FINANCIAL HARDSHIP OR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES OR FOR THE PUBLIC AT LARGE IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITION OF LIFE OF THE SAID INHABITANTS.

Activities: The Bothies is a Learning Resource Centre based in Scampston Walled Garden Conservatory. It provides gardening and craft activities for adults with learning or physical disabilities; Forest School activities for families and children; educational courses and craft workshops for the general public; community projects for special interest groups and curriculum related activities for schools.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- North Yorkshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£15,750	£11,923	-	-
2024-03-31	£16,691	£16,573	-	-
2023-03-31	£13,996	£14,618	-	-
2022-03-31	£21,291	£8,866	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dianne Elizabeth Ford	Chair	2020-09-01
Carol Lyon		2020-09-01
Lesley Ann Jenkinson		2020-09-01
Simon Roe		2020-09-01
Susan Milward		2020-09-01

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period 2024-2025

From Period start date 01/04/24 To Period end date 31/03/25

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Friday Place now offers a destination for carers seeking a period of respite. Disappointingly this resource has not been fully used despite our promotion to the local care agencies. Those people who have visited us speak highly of the welcome they received and of our refreshments! Next year we will have a publicity campaign to promote the facility again.. • A local carpenter has made us a mobile storage unit where we can store a range of activities to be used with a variety of our visiting groups.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>The income to finance our activities has been dependent upon a variety of funding streams.</p> <p>Room Hire: Three rooms are available for general hire and have been successfully used as meeting rooms for both corporate and private events. Refreshments have been charged as an extra. A table of charges exists for hirers.</p> <p>Fairs: A Christmas and Spring Fair with a variety of craft stalls have been organised, money being raised via 'space rental' from stall holders. Additional monies have been generated by a quiz sheet, a raffle and a stall run by The Bothies team selling assorted crafted items, home produce etc.</p> <p>Plant Sales: The sale of Pelargonium cuttings grown by our team has provided us with a steady income throughout the year.</p> <p>Donations and Grants The donations from visitors to the Conservatory have been allocated to a purchase of a garden table large enough to accommodate our Bothy Club.</p> <p>School and family activities A small charge is made for these activity programmes to help towards the costs of employing a qualified freelance Forest School tutor and purchasing equipment.</p>
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	A large balance has been accrued in our current account to ensure we can continue our plans to develop the Bothy Garden.
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Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The trustees have agreed to set up a reserve savings account as an emergency fund and at present this restricted fund is kept within the current account.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	N/A
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

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The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Funds to finance the charity's expenses are mainly raised by the Christmas and Spring Fairs, the hire of rooms and the sale of plants grown on site. These activities take place during the warmer seasons (April to October) These events, provide the charity with an income all year round. Funds raised must cover all housekeeping expenses and the utilities in addition to covering the costs of community and charitable activities for which we do not charge participants.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The costs of electricity continue to be a major consideration for the charity. As from September an alternative provider will be adopted.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution Lease agreement on building which is due for renewal next year.
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	CIO

(e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)		
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 trustees	Para 1.25	<p>Currently working with the initial trustees who formed the charity and are named in the original constitution.</p> <p>Policy for recruiting any new trustees as part of a succession plan is in development.</p>

Additional information (optional)

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Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	<p>All bar one of the trustees are working members of The Bothies' team. Policies and the induction procedure for both trustees and other team members are detailed in the Team Handbook – see extract below</p> <p><u>'Policies for Protection and Support'</u></p> <p>The following policies and Risk Assessments have been put in place to ensure your safety and wellbeing. 'THE BOTHIES' seek to provide a safe and happy environment for our team members and these outline the procedures in place to assist with that. They can be accessed in the Policy folder in the Conservatory office.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equal Opportunities Policy • Data Protection Policy • Safeguarding Policy and Guidance • Health and Safety Policy • Risk Assessments <p>Where you are working directly with children or vulnerable adults there will be an induction into aspects of safeguarding and a DBS application will be completed when necessary.</p> <p><u>Induction and Training</u></p> <p>New team members will be introduced to the various jobs and any training necessary will be provided. No-one will be expected to carry out a task for which they consider they lack the strength, skill or knowledge.</p> <p><u>Supervision and Support</u></p> <p>'THE BOTHIES' Team is committed to ensuring team members have an enjoyable and rewarding experience. To achieve this, the Trustees will offer support and encouragement, recognising that the same principles of good management and supervision apply to volunteers as well as employees. The Co-ordinator will provide a point of contact and deal with any issues that arise.'</p>
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<p>The Bothies has five trustees. Four are actively involved in the day to day working of the charity as volunteers. One works elsewhere and is therefore able to contribute to discussion in a dispassionate and unbiased way which is an asset to the charity.</p> <p>The Bothies Team consists of 16 volunteer members (inclusive of the trustees). Certain team members assume specific responsibilities in line with their interests and skills. Currently there are 7 main areas of responsibility as follows;</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • management of the Bothy Club for a community group of adults with learning and other disabilities • management of the plant sales • oversight of the Bothy Garden • management of the pelargonium display • management of the exhibitions and displays • organisation of the two Craft fairs • general administration of the charity <p>The other members of the team carry out a range of roles of their choosing to support each of the areas listed above eg. gardening, cleaning, housekeeping, working at events etc.</p> <p>In addition the charity has built up a relationship with partner agencies such as NYCC Support to Employment, Social Services, Ryedale Carers, Dementia Forward, the Parkinsons Support Group and Carers Plus.</p> <p>Currently all governance (financial and policy) decisions are made by the trustees whilst day to day activities are discussed and outcomes agreed at whole team meetings which occur several times during the year.</p> <p>On a day to day basis, where an important decision has to be made quickly, the trustees working that day will decide.</p>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Bothies
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1195264
Charity's principal address	Scampston Walled Garden Conservatory Scampston North Yorkshire YO17 8NG

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)
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1	Dianne Ford	Co-ordinator/Chair Finance & Safeguarding		The trustees will be jointly responsible
2	Simon Roe	Vice Chair		
3	Carol Lyon	Finance		
4	Lesley Jenkinson	Bothy Club Finance & Safeguarding		
5	Susan Milward	Plant Sales		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/A		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
	N/A	

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

N/A

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

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)	Dianne E Ford	
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Full name(s)	Dianne Elizabeth Ford	
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	
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Date	17/11/25
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/04/2024	To	31/03/2025
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £
A1 Receipts				
Community Groups	292	-	-	292
Private Hires	2,093	-	-	2,093
Plant Sales	3,427	-	-	3,427
Misc Sales	1,341	-	-	1,341
Fairs	5,665	-	-	5,665
School Visits	707	-	-	707
WL Cub/ Nature Scamps	482	-	-	482
Workshops	1,170	-	-	1,170
Donations	573	-	-	573
Workshops	1,170	-	-	1,170
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	16,920	-	-	16,920
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	16,920	-	-	16,920
A3 Payments				
Event catering	512	-	-	512
Refreshments	319	-	-	319
Housekeeping	3,492	-	-	3,492
Bothy Club	504	-	-	504
Team Expenses	106	-	-	106
Office/Admin	251	-	-	251
Garden	1,778	-	-	1,778
Equipment	416	-	-	416
Cleaning Materials	84	-	-	84
Bank Charges	148	-	-	148
Insurance	478	-	-	478
Publicity	107	-	-	107
Wages	2,378	-	-	2,378
Fairs	959	-	-	959
Displays	201	-	-	201
Workshop expenses	190	-	-	190
Sub total	11,923	-	-	11,923
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	-	-	-	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	11,926	-	-	11,926
Cash funds this year end	15,822	-	-	15,822

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total cash funds	15,822	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-
			-
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			-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-
			-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-
			-
			-
			-
			-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Dianne E Ford

Dianne Ford

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3,671
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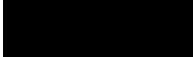
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Date of approval

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Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>The income to finance our activities has been dependent upon a variety of funding streams.</p> <p>Room Hire: Three rooms are available for general hire and have been successfully used as meeting rooms for both corporate and private events. Refreshments have been charged as an extra. A table of charges exists for hirers.</p> <p>Fairs: A Christmas and Spring Fair with a variety of craft stalls have been organised, money being raised via 'space rental' from stall holders. Additional monies have been generated by a raffle and a stall run by The Bothies team selling assorted crafted items, home produce etc.</p> <p>Plant Sales: The sale of Pelargonium cuttings grown by our team has provided us with a steady income throughout the year.</p> <p>Donations and Grants An anonymous donation has been received this year and helped to pay for our mobile storage cabinet. As yet we have not applied for any grants.</p> <p>School and family activities A small charge is made for these activity programmes to help towards the costs of employing a qualified freelance Forest School tutor and purchasing equipment.</p>
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	A large balance has been accrued in our current account to ensure we can continue our plans to develop the Bothy Garden.
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Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The trustees have agreed to set up a reserve savings account in due course as an emergency fund.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	N/A
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	The charity is only 3 years old and as our development projects are finalised we still require quick access to all our funds at present.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

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Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The costs of electricity are currently a major consideration for the charity. Investigation of alternative providers is ongoing to see if we can reduce these costs.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution Lease agreement on building
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	CIO

(e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)		
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 trustees	Para 1.25	<p>Currently working with the initial trustees who formed the charity and are named in the original constitution.</p> <p>Policy for recruiting any new trustees as part of a succession plan which will be developed during 2024-2025</p>

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	<p>All bar one of the trustees are working members of The Bothies' team. Policies and the induction procedure for both trustees and other team members are detailed in the Team Handbook – see extract below</p> <p><u>'Policies for Protection and Support'</u></p> <p>The following policies and Risk Assessments have been put in place to ensure your safety and wellbeing. 'THE BOTHIES' seek to provide a safe and happy environment for our team members and these outline the procedures in place to assist with that. They can be accessed in the Policy folder in the Conservatory office.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance Policy • Equal Opportunities Policy • Data Protection Policy • Safeguarding Policy and Guidance • Health and Safety Policy • Risk Assessments <p>Where you are working directly with children or vulnerable adults there will be an induction into aspects of safeguarding and a DBS application will be completed when necessary.</p> <p><u>Induction and Training</u></p> <p>New team members will be introduced to the various jobs and any training necessary will be provided. No-one will be expected to carry out a task for which they consider they lack the strength, skill or knowledge.</p> <p><u>Supervision and Support</u></p> <p>'THE BOTHIES' Team is committed to ensuring team members have an enjoyable and rewarding experience. To achieve this, the Trustees will offer support and encouragement, recognising that the same principles of good management and supervision apply to people who are volunteers as well as employees. The Co-ordinator will provide a point of contact and deal with any issues that arise.'</p>
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<p>The Bothies has five trustees. Four are actively involved in the day to day working of the charity as staff. One works elsewhere and is therefore able to contribute to discussion in a dispassionate and unbiased way which is an asset to the charity.</p> <p>The Bothies Team consists of 16 volunteer members (inclusive of the trustees). Certain team members assume specific responsibilities in line with their interests and skills. Currently there are 8 main areas of</p>

		<p>responsibility as follows;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • management of the Bothy Club for a community group of adults with learning and other disabilities • management of the plant sales • oversight of the Bothy Garden • management of the pelargonium display • management of the exhibitions and displays • organisation of the two Craft fairs • organisation of the bookings diary • general administration of the charity including finance <p>All team members carry out a range of roles of their choosing to support each of the areas listed above eg. gardening, cleaning, housekeeping, working at events etc.</p> <p>In addition the charity has built up a relationship with partner agencies such as NYCC Support to Employment, Social Services, Ryedale Carers, Dementia Forward, the Parkinsons Support Group and Carers Plus.</p> <p>Currently all governance (financial and policy) decisions are made by the trustees whilst day to day activities are discussed and outcomes agreed at whole team meetings or meetings of specific interest groups which occur several times during the year.</p> <p>On a day to day basis, where an important decision has to be made quickly, the trustees working that day will decide.</p>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Bothies
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1195264
Charity's principal address	Scampston Walled Garden Conservatory Scampston North Yorkshire YO17 8NG

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 Dianne Ford	Co-ordinator/Chair Finance & Safeguarding		The trustees will be jointly responsible

2	Simon Roe	Vice Chair		
3	Carol Lyon	Finance		
4	Lesley Jenkinson	Bothy Club Finance & Safeguarding		
5	Susan Milward	Plant Sales		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/A		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
	N/A	

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

N/A

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

Other optional information

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)

Dianne Elizabeth Ford	Lesley Ann Jenkinson
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Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Chair	Trustee
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Date

17/11/24

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
3			BALANCE SHEET					
4			INCOME					
5	DATE	TYPE.		Com. Group	Cafe grps	Private Hires	Plant Sales	Grants
6	11/04/2023	cash	Repaid cash float Spring Fair					
7	11/04/2023	cash	Proceeds Spring Fair					
8	12/05/2023	cash	Plant sales				£ 630.83	
9	01/05/2023	BACS	Rotary Club hire			£ 235.00		
10	21/05/2023	BACS	RF Wannop BOT23-3 Hire			£ 140.00		
11	31/05/2023	BACS	Scampston Wall Garden (TYG)					
12	27/06/2023	cash	Multi deposit £678.70	£ 27.00			£ 274.00	
13	27/06/2023	cash	Multi deposit £488.13	£ 12.00			£ 466.13	
14	27/06/2023	cash	Room hire x2			£ 180.00		
15	27/06/2023	cash	Multi deposit £398.19	£ 60.00		£ 220.00	£ 98.19	
16	07/06/2023	BACS	Embracing wool exhibition commission			£ 434.90		
17	28/06/2023	BACS	British Red Cross BOT23-4 (incl catering)			£ 837.00		
18	24/07/2023	cash	Multi deposit £882.98	£ 14.60			£ 567.38	
19	10/07/2023	BACS	Scampston Walled Garden Exhibition Bds					
20	06/08/2023	BACS	E Riley workshop room hire			£ 187.50		
21	30/08/2023	BACS	Reid Frow Ch Fr stall holder					
22	31/08/2023	BACS	Support Care room hire BOT23-5			£ 104.00		
23	05/09/2023	cash	Multi deposit £183.40	£ 8.00			£ 145.40	
24	05/09/2023	cash	Multi deposit £298.58	£ 24.00			£ 220.58	
25	18/09/2023	cash	Multi deposit £497.80				£ 294.20	
26	20/09/2023	cash	Multi deposit £130.54	£ 12.00			£ 118.54	
27	20/09/2023	Cheque	McGowan Stall holder Ch Fr					
28	12/09/2023	BACS	NYCC Pickering Infant School					
29	14/09/2023	BACS	E Riley stall holder Ch Fr					
30	14/09/2023	BACS	J Thompson stall holder Ch Fr					
31	14/09/2023	BACS	Whitby Distillery stall holder Ch Fr					
32	14/09/2023	BACS	S Wood stall holder Ch Fr					
33	15/09/2023	BACS	P Gibson stall holder Ch Fr					
34	16/09/2023	BACS	H Harrison stall holder Ch Fr					
35	18/09/2023	BACS	C Monkman stall holder Ch Fr					
36	19/09/2023	BACS	S Wiles stall holder Ch Fr					
37	24/09/2023	BACS	Jones Jewellery stall holder Ch Fr					
38	17/10/2024	cash	Multi deposit £392.21	£ 38.00			£ 350.21	

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
39	17/10/2023	cash	US dollar conversion - deposit				£ 3.99	
40	17/10/2023	Cheque	Fayrefield Hort/Fletcher - stallholder Ch Frx2					
41	03/10/2023	BACs	Bowring stall holder Ch Fr					
42	10/10/2023	BACS	Woodall stallholder Ch Fr					
43	19/10/2023	BACS	Fletcher stall holder Ch Fr					
44	23/10/2023	BACS	Mindful Photography - workshop			£ 30.00		
45	24/10/2023	BACS	Scampston Walled garden (TYG)					
46	24/10/2023	BACS	Kick Rexi Out workshop			£ 22.50		
47	20/11/2023	cash	Multi deposit £226.05	£ 26.00			£ 155.05	
48	27/11/2023	cash	Replace cash float					
49	27/11/2023	cash	Christmas fair proceeds					
50	06/11/2023	BACS	Barclagh stall holder CH Fr					
51	07/11/2023	BACS	Silvi B Treats stall holder Ch Fr					
52	13/11/2023	BACS	R Brough					
53	16/11/2023	BACS	Helmsley Walled Garden Meeting BOT23-10			£ 252.00		
54	18/11/2023	BACS	Middleton Melissa stall holder Ch Fr					
55	21/11/2023	BACS	Rosdale stall holder Ch Fr					
56	23/11/2023	BACS	Old Sch Ltd stall holder Ch FR					
57	08/12/2023	BACS	BRC Payables			£ 586.00		
58	05/01/2023	BACS	L Comley workshop BOT24-1			£ 130.00		
59	16/01/2024	BACS	E Riley workshop BOT24-2			£ 92.50		
60	17/01/2024	BACS	A Carter workshop hire			£ 80.00		
61	02/02/2024	cash	Multi deposit £59.00	£ 44.00				
62	27/03/2025	Cheque	Donation for garden talk					
63	27/03/2025	cash	Refreshments team wreath workshop	£ 30.00				
64	27/03/2024	Cheque	W Fletcher - Spr Fair stallholder					
65	31/01/2024	BACS	Scampston Walled Garden		£ 505.00			
66	00/01/1900	BACS	Scampston Walled Garden					
67	06/02/2024	BACS	Donation via CAF					
68	19/02/2024	BACs	W Bristow - workshop			£ 140.00		
69	21/02/2025	BACS	M Baggalay - stallholder Spr Fr					
70	22/02/2024	BACS	McGowan - stallholder Spr Fr					
71	22/02/2024	BACS	L Riley - stallholder Spr Fr					
72	22/02/2024	BACS	S Wood - stallholder Spr Fr					
73	23/02/2024	BACS	Whitby Distillery stallholder Spr Fr					
74	24/02/2024	BACS	A Tomczak -stallholder Spr Fr					

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5	Fairs	School Visit	WLClub/NS	Donations	Misc	TOTAL
6	£ 250.00					£ 250.00
7	£ 886.12					£ 886.12
8						£ 630.83
9						£ 235.00
10						£ 140.00
11			£ 371.22			£ 371.22
12	£ 348.70			£ 29.00		£ 678.70
13				£ 10.00		£ 488.13
14						£ 180.00
15				£ 20.00		£ 398.19
16						£ 434.90
17						£ 837.00
18	£ 36.00			£ 265.00		£ 882.98
19				£ 500.00		£ 500.00
20						£ 187.50
21	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
22						£ 104.00
23				£ 30.00		£ 183.40
24				£ 9.00	£ 45.00	£ 298.58
25	£ 143.60			£ 60.00		£ 497.80
26						£ 130.54
27	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
28		£ 336.00				£ 336.00
29	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
30	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
31	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
32	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
33	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
34	£ 22.50					£ 22.50
35	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
36	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
37	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
38				£ 4.00		£ 392.21

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39						£ 3.99
40	£ 90.00					£ 90.00
41	£ 22.50					£ 22.50
42	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
43	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
44						£ 30.00
45			£ 453.26			£ 453.26
46						£ 22.50
47	£ 45.00					£ 226.05
48					£ 300.00	£ 300.00
49	£ 1,834.98					£ 1,834.98
50	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
51	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
52	£ 35.00					£ 35.00
53						£ 252.00
54	£ 22.50					£ 22.50
55	£ 22.50					£ 22.50
56	£ 35.00					£ 35.00
57						£ 586.00
58						£ 130.00
59						£ 92.50
60						£ 80.00
61	£ 15.00					£ 59.00
62				£ 50.00		£ 50.00
63						£ 30.00
64	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
65						£ 505.00
66			£ 400.86			£ 400.86
67				£ 500.00		£ 500.00
68						£ 140.00
69	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
70	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
71	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
72	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
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74	£ 45.00					£ 45.00

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75	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
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81	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
82	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
83	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
84	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
85	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
86	£ 150.00					£ 150.00
87	£ 22.50					£ 22.50
88	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
89	£ 45.00					£ 45.00
90					TOTAL INCOME	£ 16,691.74
91	£ 5,511.90	£ 336.00	£ 1,225.34	£ 1,477.00	£ 345.00	£ 16,691.74
92	Fairs	School visits	WLClub/NS	Donations	Misc.	
93			CARRIED FORWARD FROM PREVIOUS YEAR			£ 11,807.92
94					TOTAL	£ 28,499.66

THE BOTHIES

England & Wales - Charity number 1195264

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period 2022-2023

From Period start date 01/04/22 To Period end date 31/03/23

Charity name: The Bothies

Charity registration number:1195264

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	"To promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of North Yorkshire and the surrounding area the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, financial hardship or social and economic circumstances or for the public at large in the interests of social welfare and with the object of improving the condition of life of the said inhabitants."
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	<p>1. Educational courses delivered by visiting tutors on a wide range of topics including horticulture, painting and drawing, crafts, eg. felting, embroidery, cooking, floristry, willow weaving, heritage topics - benefitting adults from a wide age range, both local and from out of area</p> <p>2. Woodland and nature activities delivered by a Forest School qualified teacher - benefitting local schools and families with children.</p> <p>3. Practical gardening experiences benefitting people who may not have gardens of their own or who enjoy the opportunity to acquire the practical skills of gardening in a social setting</p> <p>4. Provision of sheltered gardening experiences and craft activities in co-operation with local care agencies or charity groups and benefitting adults with learning and other disabilities.</p> <p>5. Promotion of volunteering; We have formed a large group of volunteers to organise and run activities in The Bothies and we also work in partnership with North Yorkshire County Council in supporting 'back to work' volunteer placements.</p> <p>6. Community projects are organised by special interest groups eg. oral history project, family history research, other research projects leading to exhibitions within the Learning Resource Centre benefitting a core group of heritage volunteers and the wider visiting public</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity	Para 1.18	The trustees have regard for the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. While some activities are directed at specific groups with defined characteristics, the Resource Centre offers a wide range of activities to the public as a whole and will hire out space for many special interest groups to organise their own activities.

Commission on public benefit		
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<p>The dedication, skills and enthusiasm of a team of volunteers, has been vital for the establishment of the Charity. People have brought with them a whole range of transferable skills appropriate to furthering the aims of the project – these skills range from educational, heritage research, accounting, administration, technology, horticulture plus a willingness to offer just good old fashioned ‘hard work’!</p> <p>The Bothies has a recruited team of 16 volunteer staff to run activities. During an average week we use approx 120 hrs of voluntary time.</p>
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	<p>Volunteering</p> <p>As the promotion of volunteering is embedded in The Bothies’ objects, a wide variety of roles for potential volunteers have been developed including gardening, hosting events, supporting the outdoor activities with children and vulnerable adults, supporting school and family activities and general fundraising for the charity.</p> <p>A recruitment drive for volunteers was carried out in the summer of 2022 and all volunteers who showed an interest in working with us, were invited to visit and discuss the various roles on offer. Upon taking up a place on the team they were asked to complete an application form, provide the names of two referees, and to undertake a short induction programme.</p> <p>The work carried out by volunteers includes the following;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A core group have been involved in overseeing the gardening in the Bothy Garden and for propagating pelargonium to maintain a permanent display in the Hot House and to sell to visitors as a fundraiser for our educational activities. • Working with Social Services and NYCC we have successfully included four supported volunteer placements.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Heritage Research Group created a major exhibition about WH St Quintin and his nationally important contribution to conservation and ornithology. Other temporary displays featured topics on rural life • The 'sheltered' gardening experiences have offered so many different experiences to adults and young people who are vulnerable or with learning and other disabilities. There have been benefits related to health and wellbeing for a whole variety of groups. The social aspects of weekly visits to our garden by participating adults has provided an opportunity for increasing self confidence through engaging with others and has been a great way to get regular exercise, and increase general mobility. • Contacts have been made with local schools and a programme of activities linked to the Key Stage 2 curriculum offered during the summer months. Amongst these activities are opportunities to learn about gardening skills, go pond dipping, hunt for 'minibeasts', develop map reading and navigation skills plus enjoying the fun of a campfire to toast marsh mallows! Tailor made courses have also been set up to meet any specific needs of the school. • Use of the parkland and the woodland have lent themselves to Forest School type activities for young children and their families through our Wild Life Club and Nature Scamps toddler group. Children, who must be accompanied by at least one adult, can work towards earning the Wildlife Trusts Wild Awards. The club is staffed by a freelance tutor who is a qualified Forest School teacher and is supported by suitably trained volunteers from The Bothies team
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Additional information (optional)

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<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	<p>Learning outside in the environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adjoining the Conservatory is a garden known as 'The Bothy Garden'. We have worked with local community care agency, The Wilf Ward Family Trust, to build an area of raised beds there and so offer a permanent place for vulnerable adults to come and enjoy the therapeutic benefits of working with others in a garden setting. All money raised by the sales of vegetables and plants from the Bothy Garden, together with monies raised through room hire and courses go directly into funding our activities. • Currently we still need to renovate the access paths and ensure they are accessible for wheelchair users. • We have also created an accessible woodland classroom for the delivery of curriculum linked workshops to school groups, family learning groups and for our adult groups. The addition of this area to our existing garden area has increased our capacity and extends the range of activities we can offer. • For school groups, this area allows the development of several additional habitats to be used in curriculum workshops, i.e. log piles for work on minibeast classification. It extends the activities we can offer to include resilience building activities such as den building and bush craft. It also provides a base exclusively for use of groups which is not accessible to the general public. In addition, the local school has been offered the use of the site for their weekly forest school sessions, having recently lost the use of their previous site.
		<p>The income to finance the objectives detailed above has been</p>

Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>dependent upon a variety of funding streams.</p> <p>Room Hire: Three rooms have been made available for general hire and have been successfully used as meeting rooms for both corporate and private events. Refreshments have been charged as an extra. A table of charges exists for hirers.</p> <p>Fairs: A Christmas and Spring Fair with a variety of craft stalls have been organised, money being raised via 'space rental' from stall holders. Additional monies have been generated by a raffle and a stall run by The Bothies team selling assorted crafted items, home produce etc.</p> <p>Plant Sales: The sale of Pelargonium cuttings grown by our team has provided us with a steady income throughout the year. Aprox. 1000 cuttings were propagated during the year.</p> <p>Donations and Grants Two organisations have made grants to the Charity to help fund the setting up of the woodland area and a covered work shelter in the Bothy Garden. Further grant funders are to be explored with reference the support required for completing the seating area in the garden. The donations from visitors to the Conservatory have been allocated to this project..</p> <p>School and family activities A small charge has been made for these activity programmes to help towards the costs of employing a qualified freelance Forest School tutor.</p>
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	A large balance has been accrued in our current account to ensure we can complete plans to develop the Bothy Garden and build a permanent seating area during 2023-2024
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The trustees will consider setting up a reserve account during the next financial year, so that there is an 'emergency' fund to cope with any unforeseen costs
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	N/A
Reasons for holding zero	Para 1.22	The charity is only 2 years old and as our development projects are finalised we require quick access to all our funds at present.

reserves		
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

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Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The costs of electricity are currently a major consideration for the charity.
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Description of charity's trusts:		
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The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<p>The Bothies has five trustees. Four are actively involved in the day to day working of the charity as volunteers. One works elsewhere and is therefore able to contribute to discussion in a dispassionate and unbiased way which is an asset to the charity.</p> <p>The Bothies Team consists of 16 volunteer members (inclusive of the trustees). Certain team members assume specific responsibilities in line with their interests and skills. Currently there are 7 main areas of responsibility as follows;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • management of the Bothy Club for a community group of adults with learning and other disabilities • management of the plant sales • oversight of the Bothy Garden • management of the pelargonium display • management of the exhibitions and displays • organisation of the two Craft fairs • general administration of the charity

		<p>The other members of the team carry out a range of roles of their choosing to support each of the areas listed above eg. gardening, cleaning, housekeeping, working at events etc.</p> <p>In addition the charity is in the process of building up a relationship with partner agencies such as NYCC Support to Employment, Social Services, Ryedale Carers, Dementia Forward, the Parkinsons Support Group and Carers Plus.</p> <p>Currently all governance (financial and policy) decisions are made by the trustees whilst day to day activities are discussed and outcomes agreed at whole team meetings which occur several times during the year.</p> <p>On a day to day basis, where an important decision has to be made quickly, the trustees working that day will decide.</p>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Bothies
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1195264
Charity's principal address	Scampston Walled Garden Conservatory Scampston North Yorkshire YO17 8NG

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	Dianne Ford	Co-ordinator/Chair		The trustees will be jointly responsible
2	Simon Roe	Vice Chair		
3	Carol Lyon	Treasurer		
4	Lesley Jenkinson			
5	Susan Milward			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/A		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
	N/A	

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

N/A

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

Other optional information

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)

Dianne Elizabeth Ford	Lesley Ann Jenkinson
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Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Chair	Trustee
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Date

17/11/23



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name
The Bothies

On accounts for the year ended

March 2023

Charity no (if any)

CC16a

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 03/ 2023**.

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

15th November 2023

Name:

Karen Price

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

THE BOTHIES

England & Wales - Charity number 1195264

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period 2022-2023

From Period start date 01/07/21 To Period end date 31/03/22

Charity name: The Bothies

Charity registration number:1195264

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	"To promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of North Yorkshire and the surrounding area the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, financial hardship or social and economic circumstances or for the public at large in the interests of social welfare and with the object of improving the condition of life of the said inhabitants."
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	<p>As a new entity, time has been taken to establish the internal governance and management of the Charity which has been established in Scampston Walled Garden Conservatory.</p> <p>This process has been complicated by lockdown restrictions due to COVID19.</p> <p>The time has, however been used for extensive planning.</p> <p>The main aim of the Charity is to establish the Conservatory building and its environs as a Learning Resource Centre. The goals of this Centre are to foster life long learning, well being and personal development through the provision of educational courses, community projects and other recreational and leisure activities.</p> <p>Secondly, the Charity's longevity depends on promoting opportunities for volunteering among adults and young people</p> <p>The following are the main areas of development identified by the trustees, through which to achieve these goals;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Development of Educational Activities for vulnerable adult groups, schools and families with children.• Development of Workshops and Special Interest Groups• Recruitment of a Volunteer Team• Identification of Funding Streams to finance the activities listed above

Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have regard for the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. Groups with specific interests have made themselves known to the trustees and efforts are being made to accommodate them.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<p>As the promotion of volunteering is embedded in The Bothies' aims, we seek to provide a wide variety of roles for potential volunteers. These include gardening, hosting events, supporting the outdoor activities with children and vulnerable adults, supporting school and family activities and general fundraising for the charity.</p> <p>The current work being carried out by volunteers includes the following;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Heritage Group maintain the three exhibition rooms and work to prepare new exhibition boards for the visitors. • Another group of other volunteers maintain the pelargonium collection and take cuttings for to sell. • Some volunteers work with vulnerable groups and provide a sheltered gardening opportunity. • Several members of the team help the Forest School tutor to run the activities with families and children. They also support the same tutor when schools visit.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

<p>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.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p>The concept of 'The Bothies' charity was developed during the lockdown period of Covid19.</p> <p>The initial meeting of five volunteer trustees was held in September 2020 and follow up meetings held every four weeks after that. At this meeting the objects of the charity were agreed, a draft constitution prepared and a development plan drawn up.</p> <p>An application to the Charity Commission to become a Charitable Incorporated Institution (CIO), was investigated and an application for a bank account pursued. Neither of these two aims were successful until July 2021 although the activities of the charity came into operation during the intervening period.</p> <p>The Development Plan was created with proposed timeline against which to record achievements. This included the following elements;</p> <p>Development of Governance During 2021-22, policies were drawn up to cover Finance, Volunteers, Health and Safety and Safeguarding. In addition Risk Assessments were compiled to cover all anticipated activities including rules imposed by COVID considerations. The policies specifically requested by the Charity Commission, were also developed and agreed.</p> <p>Development of Educational Activities for vulnerable adult groups, schools and families with children.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A freelance tutor recruited to run planned Forest School Activities with families and children and to develop a curriculum related outdoor programme for schools. Session plans were presented to the Trustees for approval. An accessible woodland area was created to facilitate these activities.• Contact was made with local care agencies to develop a programme of workshops and outdoor activities for adult groups with learning or physical disabilities. Three volunteers worked to bring this plan to fruition.• Publicity was circulated to local schools about educational opportunities on offer.• Promotional leaflets were produced to promote all the agreed activities. <p>Development of Workshops and Special Interest Groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Meetings were set up with potentially interested groups to offer facilities for them to use in the Learning Resource Centre. This included local craft groups, Local Brownies and Guides etc.• Tutors for a variety of crafts were approached with a view to hiring out rooms for adult workshops including willow weaving, art, photography and horticulture.• A Heritage Research Group was set up to take responsibility for exhibitions and displays.• A gardening group was set up to develop and maintain a plant display and to take responsibility for the garden outside the building which was designated as 'The Bothy Garden'. <p>Recruitment of a Volunteer Team</p>
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A protocol was agreed for recruiting volunteers to staff 'The Bothies' and appropriate paperwork and advertising put in place. • Two trustees designated with responsibility for Health and Safety and Safeguarding attended relevant training courses including one on the Disclosure and Barring Service. • The creation of a volunteers handbook was initiated.
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Additional information (optional)

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Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Room hire has been advertised for private hirers for use as meeting rooms or corporate events as well hired for lectures, workshops, wedding receptions, funeral wakes, and birthday parties. Hire charges were worked out at an hourly rate. • Sales of cuttings from the plant displays in the conservatory have been used to generate an income via a designed plant sale area. • Christmas Fair was organised with a variety of craft stalls, money being raised by the sale of our own goods and the table rent from other stall holders. • Relevant grants investigated but not yet applied for until we have a set of audited accounts. • The means of accumulating donations were explored including the setting up of a 'Friends of The Bothies' but this as yet has not been successful.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	A large balance has been accrued in our current account which we intend to use to develop the woodland classroom and The Bothy Garden.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	N/A
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	N/A
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	The charity is new and all monies are designated currently to develop our planned activities.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A

Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A
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The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The Charity has been fortunate to inherit the balance of a COVID Community Grant given by the local authority to support the Conservatory as a community building. This has aided the trustees in the establishment of a new activity programme. Additional fundraising has taken place with plant sales and the Christmas Fair plus room hire and fees for activities.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The Charity has only just been established in the wake of COVID19 and associated lockdowns, and it will take a time to build up an secure infrastructure and funding system. As yet running costs are unknown and projects related to future grant applications have still to be identified.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution Lease agreement on building
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
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 trustees	Para 1.25	All five initial Trustees are volunteers. They have each signed up for a designated number of years. As yet there is no policy for replacement.

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Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

Dianne Elizabeth Ford	Lesley Ann Jenkinson
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Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Chair	Trustee
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Date

17/11/23



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

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The Bothies

On accounts for the year ended

March 2022

Charity no (if any)

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Signed:

Date:

15th November 2023

Name:

Karen Price

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

Part qualified ICMA accountant

Address:

Simonside, 14 Main Street, Hutton Buscel

Scarborough

North Yorkshire YO13 9LL

Section B

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