

PURSEERS ORCHARD GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 1196889

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2021-12-02

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

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Activities

Objects: THE CONSERVATION AND PRESERVATION OF THE FLORA AND FAUNA OF PURSEERS COMMUNITY ORCHARD FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC.THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC TO CELEBRATE THE HISTORY AND TRADITIONS OF ORCHARDS TO CONNECT THE COMMUNITY TO ITS RURAL HERITAGE.

Activities: The conservation and preservation of the flora and fauna of Pursers Community Orchard for the benefit of the public. The advancement of education of the public to celebrate the history and traditions of orchards to connect the community to its rural heritage.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Environment/conservation/heritage, Recreation
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Worcestershire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£3,485	£2,287	-	-
2024-03-31	£1,445	£452	-	-
2023-03-31	£4,024	£2,453	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alan Gilbert		2021-11-25
Mark Whaley		2024-05-13
Martin Harper		2021-11-25
Michael Davies		2021-11-25
Patricia Lowe		2021-11-25

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Trustees` Annual Report and Income and Expenditure Accounts

For the year ended 31st March 2025

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The Trustees` Annual Report 31st March 2025

The Trustees are pleased to present their second annual report of the Pursers Orchard Group (“The Charity”) for the year ended 31st March 2025.

Reference and Administration Information

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Gift Aid: The Charity is registered with HM Revenue and Customs

Constitution

The Charity is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation, and it is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission in England and Wales.

Trustees

The following have served as Trustees during the year.

Michael Davies – Secretary

Anne Garner -appointed 13th May 2024, retired 14th February 2025

Alan Gilbert

Patsy Lowe

Martin Harper

Mark Whaley -appointed 13th May 2024

Recruitment of Trustees

Trustees may be any person 16 years or older. New Trustees are appointed at a formerly constituted meeting of Trustees.

Objectives and Activities

Objectives and public benefit

The Charity`s objectives are:

“The conservation and preservation of the flora and fauna of the Pursers Community Orchard in Welland, for the benefit of the public; the advancement of education of the public to celebrate the history and traditions of orchards; and to connect the community to its rural heritage”.

Objectives and public benefit / continued

The objectives will be achieved mainly through the following activities:

- a) The restoration, conservation and enhancement of the community orchard, its infrastructure and its inventory of flora and fauna.
- b) The organisation of activities to engage and involve members of the public in the use of the orchard as a community asset.
- c) By working closely in association with the Little Malvern and Welland Parish Council who have shared interests in the charity`s objectives.

The Trustees have due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit in their decision making.

Activities

The Pursers Orchard freehold is owned by the Little Malvern and Welland Parish Council. Negotiations are ongoing in respect of establishing a formal lease agreement but pending this the Charity liaises with the Council to ensure that any activities are approved and supported by the Council.

Achievements

The Charity has again had a very busy year. In addition to the ongoing maintenance of the orchard and its surrounding biodiverse grounds, the Charity volunteers have undertaken and completed numerous tasks, including:

- Building and erecting two substantial benches, plus creating the ground structure at five different locations to facilitate moving the benches to other areas to optimise the views.
- Planting a “green roof” on the storeroom shed adjacent to the entrance.
- Completing the wildlife pond with a diverse range of plant species.
- Installing structures for water harvesting and storage. And finally.
- Wildflower seeds have been sown in random areas to compliment the natural tranquillity and rustic settings.

The Trustees wish to record their thanks to the volunteers for their dedicated and unstinting contribution, without which the above achievements would not have happened.

Year ended 31st March 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
Income:		
Public donations	1,570	1,047
Donation from Parish Council	930	398
Gift aid received and receivable	332	-
Sundry sales of orchard produce	22	-
WCC grant for pond planting	631	-
Total income	<u>3,485</u>	<u>1,445</u>
Expenditure:		
Stakes, repairs and fencing	97	452
Piping	196	-
Plants	1,438	-
Fruit tree testing	39	-
Insurance	437	-
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	80	-
Total expenditure	<u>2,287</u>	<u>452</u>
Surplus income over expenditure:	1,198	993
Unrestricted funds: brought forward	2,564	1,102
transfer from restricted	-	469
carried forward	<u>3,762</u>	<u>2,564</u>
Restricted funds brought forward	-	469
Transfer to unrestricted	-	(469)
carried forward	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total funds to carry forward	<u>3,762</u>	<u>2,564</u>

Balance Sheet
As at 31st March 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	1,176	-
Current assets:		
Cash funds:		
Bank balance –unrestricted	2,314	1,408
Funds due from Parish Council	-	729
Petty cash	-	427
Gift aid receivable	272	-
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Total assets	3,762	2,564
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Funds of the Charity:		
Unrestricted funds	3,762	2,564
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Total funds	3,762	2,564
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Approved by the Trustees on 10th April 2025 and authorised to sign on their behalf by:



Michael Davies – Secretary

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Notes to the Income and Expenditure Accounts 31st March 2025

1. Accounting Policies

Audit

The Charity is not required to have a statutory audit or independent inspection as its income and total assets are below the required thresholds.

Income

Voluntary income including donations in kind, and gift aid, are recognised when receivable.

No value is attributable to time donated by volunteers as it would be totally impracticable to record and value such time.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are capitalised at cost if they have a useful life of one year or more.

Depreciation is provided on a straight-line basis to write off the fixed assets over their effective useful life. Equipment and benches are depreciated at 20%.

Funds

Unrestricted funds are funds which can be utilised at the discretion of the Trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for the purpose nominated by the donor.

Taxation

The Charity is exempt from taxation on its charitable activities including any interest received.

2. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Benches and Equipment £
Additions during the year at cost	1,256
Depreciation charge for the year	(80)

Net book value	1,176

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The Trustees` Annual Report / continued
31st March 2024

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Achievements

The Charity has continued to maintain and enhance the orchard, its stock of fruit trees and the diverse range of habitats and species that constitute the value of the asset as a biodiversity reservoir. Access for less able visitors has been enhanced by the construction of a new pedestrian access ramp linking directly to the highway/footway network, and a new wildlife pond has been created. It is estimated that more than 500 visitors have enjoyed the orchard during the year, many on several occasions, and they have expressed their delight with the vibrant community activities, with the tranquillity in quieter times and with the fruit that many have gathered.

Financial Review

The year in financial terms has been characterised by lower expenditure of the Charity`s funds on infrastructure and trees within the orchard, while the Parish Council provided materials for the construction of the pedestrian ramp and wildlife pond, with Charity volunteers carrying out the project management and physical labour. The Charity continued to work to promote its presence in the community leading to an increase in public donations.

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Receipts and Payment Account Year ended 31st March 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Receipts:		
Public donations	1,047	473
Jubilee tree donations	-	275
Donation from Parish Council	398	-
Set up grants	-	3,000
Sundry sales of orchard produce	-	206
Sundry Easter event	-	70
Total receipts	<u>1,445</u>	<u>4,024</u>
Payments:		
Stakes, repairs and fencing	452	442
Jubilee tree purchases	-	140
Signage and notice boards	-	1,666
Event costs	-	205
Total payments	<u>452</u>	<u>2,453</u>
Surplus receipts over payments:	<u>993</u>	<u>1,571</u>
Unrestricted funds: brought forward	1,102	-
transfer from restricted	469	-
carried forward	<u>2,564</u>	<u>1,102</u>
Restricted funds brought forward	469	-
Transfer to unrestricted	(469)	-
carried forward	<u>-</u>	<u>469</u>
Total funds to carry forward	<u>2,564</u>	<u>1,571</u>

Note:

1. During the previous year restricted funds of £2,275 were received of which £1,806 was expended leaving a balance of £469 which by agreement has been transferred into unrestricted funds.
2. During the current year two major events on behalf of the Parish Council, were held in the Orchard, the Jubilee celebration and a Wassail event. The surplus arising from the Wassail event was donated by the Parish Council to the Charity.

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 02/12/2021 To 31/03/2023

Charity name: PURSERS ORCHARD GROUP

Charity registration number: 1196889

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The conservation and preservation of the flora and fauna of Pursers Community Orchard for the benefit of the public. The advancement of education of the public to celebrate the history and traditions of orchards To connect the community to its rural heritage.
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	The main activities are related to: The restoration, conservation and enhancement of the community orchard, its infrastructure and its inventory of flora and fauna. The organisation of activities to engage and involve members of the public in the use of the orchard as a community asset. These activities are conducted by the Group on behalf of Little Malvern and Welland Parish Council who are the owners of the freehold of Pursers Orchard and of the assets contained within it.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit in their decision making

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	POG does not have a policy on grant making
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	POG does not have a policy on social investment
	Para 1.38	POG does not have any paid employees and all the work undertaken by the group, whether administrative, organisational or physical is carried out by a cohort of volunteers with the

Contribution made by volunteers		very occasional use of external contractors where those resources are unavailable internally.
Other		POG works with a network of local organisations, businesses and people who provide support, goods and services, some of the provision originating from grant giving bodies, some 'in kind' assistance from benefactors and some discounted supplies of goods supporting charitable purposes

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>During the period the POG has successfully continued its restoration of the Community Orchard and has opened the erstwhile derelict space into a welcoming environment for residents and visitors.</p> <p>Wildlife has flourished, substantial harvests of fruit have been gathered by visitors and the space has been visited by hundreds of local people and many from further afield.</p> <p>The Orchard is now a focal feature of village life, it is a venue for family parties and children's exploration and its appearance as a cared for space at the heart of the village adds greatly to the landscape character.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	No formal objectives
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	No formal objectives
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	No formal objectives

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	POG ended the period with a surplus of £1,571 of which £469 was designated for specific 'capital' projects
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	In this period and for the foreseeable future there are no committed items of expenditure save for the unspent designated project funds. It is usual for projects to be initiated or work commenced only when supporting funds are identified and available. There is no explicit policy for holding reserves but it is understood that expenditure will not be committed unless funds are available.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£1,102
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Not Applicable
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Not Applicable
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	Not Applicable

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	Principal sources of funds are grant giving bodies, personal donations and sale of produce, goods and services
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	POG does not have a policy on investment
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The principal risks facing the charity are those associated with public liability arising out of the management of the Parish Council assets in as much as they are not underwritten by the Parish Council's public liability insurance cover.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	The CIO Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	POG is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation
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	Trustees may be any person 16 years or older. New Trustees are appointed at a formally constituted meeting of trustees.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	PURSERS ORCHARD GROUP
Other name the charity uses	POG
Registered charity number	1196889
Charity's principal address	Brookend Ridge Drake Street Welland Malvern Worcestershire WR13 6LN

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	Not applicable
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	

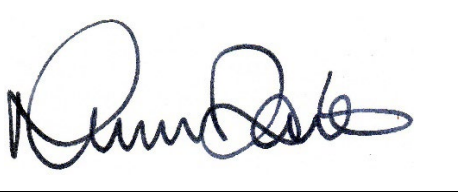
Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Not Applicable

Other optional information

Declarations

Signature	
Full name(s)	Michael John Davies
Position	Secretary
Date	2023 04 04



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Pursers Orchard Group	No (if any) 1196889
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 02/12/2021	To	Period end date 31/03/2023
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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 £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Mistletoe Sales	56	-	-	56	-
Public Donations	473	-	-	473	-
Bug Houses and surplus stock sale	55	-	-	55	-
Orchard Produce sale	95	-	-	95	-
Jubilee Tree donations	-	275	-	275	-
Easter event	70	-	-	70	-
AONB Grant	-	2,000	-	2,000	-
Parish set-up Grant	1,000	-	-	1,000	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	1,749	2,275	-	4,024	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	1,749	2,275	-	4,024	-
A3 Payments					
New trees, tree ties and stakes	286	-	-	286	-
Fencing materials	143	-	-	143	-
Jubilee tree purchase	-	140	-	140	-
Notice board and signage materials	-	1,666	-	1,666	-
Hose coupling	13	-	-	13	-
Wassail event	205	-	-	205	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	647	1,806	-	2,453	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	647	1,806	-	2,453	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,102	469	-	1,571	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	1,102	469	-	1,571	-

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	Bank Account balance	160	469	-
	Petty Cash	942	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	1,102	469	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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	
		Alan Gilbert	31-Mar-24	