

WILDLIFE FRIENDLY OTLEY

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Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE:(1) TO PROMOTE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC THE CONSERVATION OF THE WILDLIFE AND WILDLIFE HABITATS AND PROTECTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE PHYSICAL AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT OF OTLEY AND THE SURROUNDING AREA.(2) TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION AND APPRECIATION OF THE PUBLIC REGARDING THE CONSERVATION, PROTECTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE PHYSICAL AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT.

Activities: To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation and restoration of the wildlife and wildlife habitats of Otley and surrounding area, in addition to progressing Otley's nature recovery plan.To advance the education and appreciation of the public regarding the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Animals, Environment/conservation/heritage
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Leeds City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£7,958	£4,757	-	-
2024-03-31	£5,068	£5,992	-	-
2023-03-31	£9,020	£6,043	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
River Six BA, BSc	Chair	2021-02-09
Ben Simpson		2025-04-16
Claire Colman BA		2021-02-09
Dr Catherine Burton		2022-08-11
Evie Scholefield		2025-05-01
Jane Smith MPhil, DMU		2021-02-09
Jim Spencer		2025-05-01
Joanne Riggall		2024-07-31
Mark Trewin		2025-01-01
Neil Griffin LLB PGCE		2021-02-09
Robert Tindall		2022-08-11
Simon Padfield		2024-10-30

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Annual Report

June 2024 - May 2025



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Foreword

This year the charity decided to reinstate a Chair and Co-Chair to help give us overall direction and leadership. As Co-Chairs of Wildlife Friendly Otley, we are proud to reflect on another year of meaningful progress in our shared mission to make Otley a place where both people and wildlife can thrive. From June 2024 to May 2025, our dedicated volunteers, partners, and supporters have worked together across a wide range of projects — from habitat restoration and public education to campaigning and community engagement. This year has seen strong collaboration, growing awareness, and tangible outcomes for local biodiversity. We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who has contributed to this collective effort and look forward to building on this momentum in the year ahead.

Neil Griffin and River Six
Co-Chairs
Wildlife Friendly Otley

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The work of our charity is divided into seven subcommittees (see figure 1); Campaigns, Communications, Education, Events, Finance & Governance, Habitat Restoration and Barn Owls.

The work of each subcommittee for the past year will be described in the remainder of this report.

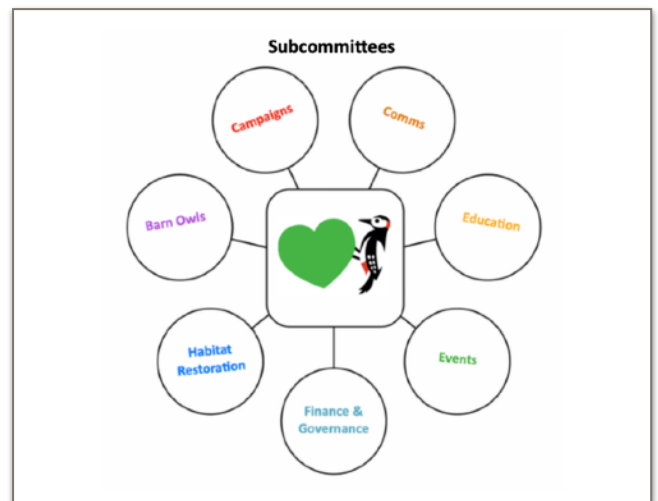


Figure 1 Structure of the charity.



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The Trustees

As of May 2025, we have 12 trustees:

Neil Griffin (Co-Chair)	River Six (Co-Chair)
Ben Simpson	Cathy Burton
Claire Blindell	Evie Schofield
Jane Smith	Jim Spencer
Jo Riggall	Mark Trewin
Rob Tindall	Simon Padfield

Our schedule of meeting as trustees is as follows, the green meetings are open to our whole membership to attend;

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The subcommittees also meet as individual working groups regularly.



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Campaigns

Wildlife Friendly Otley has continued its mission to protect and enhance local biodiversity through a range of impactful community campaigns this year. From crucial habitat restoration projects and vital public education initiatives to comprehensive wildlife surveys and proactive advocacy for nature-friendly policies, our efforts have aimed to inspire and empower residents to take decisive action for the environment.

Following the regrettable loss of a significant oak tree in the centre of Otley this year – the much-loved Tittybottle Oak – the trustees have diligently written and agreed upon a robust Campaigns Strategy. This strategic document now includes a Resilient Emergency Response Plan, specifically designed to guide our immediate and effective reaction to future environmental crises of a similar nature.

An important and ongoing flagship campaign is our Pesticide Free Town initiative. We officially registered Otley last year with the national Pesticide Free Town campaign (<https://www.pan-uk.org/pesticide-free/>). We firmly believe that eliminating pesticide use is a vital component in Otley's journey to becoming a truly wildlife-friendly town, fostering healthier ecosystems for all.



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Communications

This year, Wildlife Friendly Otley has continued to raise awareness and inspire action through engaging, community-focused communications. From dynamic social media campaigns and informative newsletters to widespread local press coverage and impactful public events, we've worked tirelessly to share our core message: that everyone can play a significant part in protecting and celebrating Otley's rich local wildlife. Our communications strategy aims to inform, involve, and ignite a lasting passion for nature across every corner of Otley.

Press releases

We have featured regularly in Otley Matters, ensuring our activities and messages reach a broad local audience.

We have also continued to feature prominently and regularly in the Wharfedale Observer, with key articles including:

- * Our revamped and highly informative 'Where To See Wildlife Leaflet'.
- * Two comprehensive articles about the successful toad patrol: the first detailing the commencement of the patrol and the second celebrating its remarkable success after the season concluded.
- * An article covering our well-attended Spring Social event.
- * Coverage of the Garden Competition Award Presentation, highlighting the achievements of local wildlife-friendly gardeners.
- * Numerous articles surrounding the hugely successful Wildlife Arts Festival 2024, which also garnered significant attention in regional press.
- * An article addressing the poignant loss of the Tittybottle Oak tree, where we clearly articulated our position and appealed for more volunteers to amplify the positive conservation work we undertake as a charity.

Social media

We have been actively promoting a number of our own events, as well as those of closely allied organisations, such as our crucial Toad Patrol, enlightening Wharfedale Naturalists talks, and the engaging Wildsong Collective. Social media has also been instrumental in disseminating important public messages, including government warnings regarding bird flu and the feeding of wild waterfowl. The number of followers on Blue Sky currently stands at 24, which, while small, is



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steadily growing – and we remain committed to consistently sharing valuable content. Spring has proven to be an excellent season to encourage people to share their seasonal wildlife photos, and it has been wonderful to see Trustees contribute their own captivating images. We experienced a recent technical hitch with Facebook, where the Trustee responsible for social media encountered access issues with their personal account; this is being resolved promptly. Looking ahead, we have identified several significant environmental days and events that we plan to feature prominently: International Day of Forests (21 March); The Great British Spring Clean (21 March); and Earth Day (22 April).”

Facebook – 1K+ Instagram – 1060 X – 592 Blue Sky — 24

Newsletters

Helen and River produced three informative newsletters over the last year. These newsletters were distributed directly to all our members, keeping them informed and engaged.

Website

We re-commissioned Rhiannon of Yorkshire Wordwright to undertake a comprehensive revamp of our website. Rob worked closely alongside her to ensure the successful delivery of all the proposed changes. We are pleased to report that the updated and enhanced website is now fully live, offering a more engaging and accessible platform for our visitors.



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Education

Alongside essential Habitat Restoration, Education remains at the very heart of Wildlife Friendly Otley's impactful work. Our focus is on fostering a deeper understanding and appreciation of nature among all age groups within our community. Through proactive school partnerships, hands-on workshops, engaging guided walks, and readily accessible learning resources, we've aimed to inspire the next generation of dedicated wildlife champions and equip our community with the essential knowledge to protect and support Otley's rich local biodiversity. Neil has now successfully led captivating wildlife days at least once in all Otley primary schools, in addition to Pool Primary and Yeadon Queensway Primary, significantly expanding our educational reach.

Ashfield Primary School

A team from WFO assisted pupils in planting bulbs and wildflower seeds along the school verge. Unfortunately, this area continues to be routinely mown and overmanaged, resulting in limited survival of the plantings. On another impactful day, we collaborated with Otley2030, school staff, and families to restore the wildlife pond on the school grounds, simultaneously enhancing their overall wildlife space through planting and the creation of other vital habitats. The pond was initially choked with iris, but its dipping platforms remain intact and are anticipated to be used extensively this summer for educational purposes. We are starting to put a team of members together to help with ongoing maintenance of the wildlife area here, as well as similar teams at Pool and the Whartons.

Bramhope Primary School

A new school with whom we haven't previously collaborated, Bramhope Primary contributed some great children's artwork to the Wildlife Arts Festival. Neil is currently planning an exciting wildlife day with their Year One in June, fostering new educational connections.

Pool Primary School

This year, our dedicated team has successfully worked on the wildlife garden area at Pool Primary School. We meticulously renovated a large neglected wildlife pond, transforming it into a vibrant seasonal ephemeral pond (with hundreds of palmate newts!), and constructed a fantastic new raised dipping pond to significantly aid in outdoor education. Our sincere thanks go to all the tireless volunteers who helped, including staff and families, and to the Wharfedale Naturalists Society for generously match funding the cost of the new dipping pond with the PTA.



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Neil also delivered engaging wildlife activities for the children during their dedicated science week, further enriching their learning.

Prince Henry's Grammar School

In the past year, Helen, Neil, and River met with students and staff from Prince Henry's Grammar School. Teachers from the Science, IT, and Geography departments were in attendance, along with the knowledgeable site manager (who demonstrated a strong awareness of wildlife issues). Following this productive meeting, two enthusiastic student members of the Ecommittee, Ben Simpson and Evie Schofield, have stepped forward to become trustees, bringing valuable youth perspectives to our board. Neil also led an informative assembly for Year 7 students, detailing the important work Wildlife Friendly Otley undertakes across the town. This year, Prince Henry's Grammar School kindly adopted WFO as their chosen local charity, a significant recognition of our work.

St Joseph's Primary School

In March, Neil successfully ran comprehensive wildlife days as part of their Science Week, working with the entire school, including the reception class, ensuring broad participation. Diane from Prickly Pigs and Maggie from the West Yorkshire Bat Group brought their respective animals along too.

Westgate Primary School

We have had several fruitful meetings with new Head Chris Short, as a result of which Claire helped run a successful planting session in April. We have decided to use some of the profit from the last wildlife arts festival to help fund planters for the playground.

Whartons Primary School

Neil led an engaging Wildlife Day at the school in September, leading an assembly on general local wildlife themes. He then led one class on an exciting wildlife hunt and another on habitat identification, while Helen and WFO member Edwina Harrison guided children in planting bulbs and wildflower seeds. Once again, Maggie Brown brought in bats for an educational session. In the afternoon, Neil creatively ran educational wildlife games for the younger children, ensuring a fun and informative experience for all.



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Another successful school pond rescue project took place the following Sunday. With the support of the school, we hosted a well-attended working party involving children and their families, including the Headteacher and two teachers. River, Rob, and one dedicated parent efficiently tackled the pond restoration, whilst the rest of the team, led by Neil, worked on a variety of other important tasks, including building bug homes, constructing a mini-beast hotel, and creating numerous log pile and brash habitats, significantly enhancing the school's biodiversity. A few months later Neil and River returned to complete the pond renovation, which will be further enhanced by the new dipping platform the school is purchasing.

Monkey Puzzle Nursery

Another new partnership: Neil took a very young group of wildlife enthusiasts (and staff!) to Grove Hill park for Nature-related fun and games.

Little Green Frog Nursery

And another: We were able to run a session similar to the above in the lovely grounds of Ashfield school.

Cubs & Brownies

With the help of new trustee Ben, and following on from last year's first collaboration, Neil was able to lead a large group of Otley cubs in wildlife related activities on the Chevin.



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Events

Spring 2024 Social

We are committed to offering regular social events for our members to connect with us and with each other about their shared passion for wildlife! Our Spring Social event last spring was exceptionally well attended, with 38 people gathering to listen to Jane and River present on the topic of Wildlife Friendly Gardens, while enjoying delicious cake. Following the event, several members reached out to express their gratitude and to enter their gardens into our first-ever Wildlife Friendly Garden Competition, a fantastic outcome.

Otley Carnival 2024

A sterling effort from all those who staffed our stall and attended in the face of some very discouraging weather! See you all at this year's carnival on 21st June.

Otley Walking Festival 2024

Wildlife Friendly Otley hosted an impressive seven walks during the Otley Walking Festival, all of which were well attended, showcasing the strong community interest in local wildlife. These included:

- * "Watch out for the bramble in our woodland ramble" – Weston Woods walk: 10am, Saturday 22 June – Led by River/Neil.
- * "Insect Habitats & Havens" – Led by Cathy/Neil.
- * "Critter Crawl for Kids" – Led by Neil/Cathy.
- * "Otley's Favourite Trees" – Led by Steve/Neil.
- * "Chevin Wildlife Friendly Gardens" – Led by River/Neil.
- * "Wildlife Friendly Gardens #2" – Led by River/Neil.
- * "Wildlife Friendly Gardens #3" – Led by River/Neil.

Wildlife Arts Festival 2024

The fourth iteration of our unique festival was once again a huge success thanks to our local creative community and the response of the wider community who turned out in numbers to attend. Featuring the usual central exhibition of high-quality wildlife pictures at the Courthouse, along with events, talks and workshops, the festival brought attention to our cause in the local media. Speakers included Tom Heap, Kate Bradbury, Tracy Lund and our patron George McGavin. Music was represented by Detta Kenzie, Trash Pandas, Paul Briscoe and Laura Barker-Bey; whilst



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the wildlife poetry session resulted in an excellent book. It was great to see children and schools involved in various ways – for example every child in Westgate school contributed a wildlife picture to an exhibition in their hall. We're grateful to festival sponsors Art Works, Sinclairs, the Wharfedale Naturalists Society, Otley Town Council, Leeds City Council and House of Pottery for their support.

Science Festival 2024

In November, we held a well-received stall at the Science Festival, with invaluable support from long-time member and former trustee Steve Heaton, who also led the highly popular Otley's Favourite Tree Walk, further engaging the public with our work.

Toad Patrol 2025

The success of our toad rescue patrols was repeated this spring. At East Busk Lane and Guiseley Drive a good number of dedicated volunteers turned out to help the migration of these fascinating amphibians. Cool weather meant a slow start to the season – for example at East Busk Lane only 10 toads had been spotted by the end of February – but by the end of March a remarkable 1959 toads had been helped at that site (not to mention newts and frogs, plus sightings of bats breaking their hibernation to feed up).

The Wharfedale Naturalists kindly supplied us with crucial safety signs for both our patrol sites (East Busk Lane and High Royds), significantly enhancing volunteer and amphibian safety. We have also been alerted to the strong possibility that the East Busk Lane site might qualify for West Yorkshire Local Wildlife Site status due to the exceptionally large number of migrating toads and the confirmed presence of palmate newts. We are actively investigating this exciting possibility, which would provide significant recognition and protection for this vital amphibian migration route.



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Finance and Governance

Coming from our new treasurer soon



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Habitat Restoration

We have made significant strides this year in improving and expanding vital spaces for wildlife across Otley. Through dedicated hands-on conservation work, collaborative efforts with landowners, the town council, and the city council, we have focused on creating, restoring, and connecting habitats to support richer and more resilient local ecosystems. Our collective efforts are helping to ensure Otley remains a thriving haven for wildlife, both now and for future generations.

Otley Town Council convened a biodiversity action group, in which WFO serves as a key partner in delivering nature recovery as outlined in our comprehensive Nature Recovery Plan. These productive meetings discuss and strategically decide upon practical and achievable targets for the coming season. These vital plans are meticulously documented in OTC's official Biodiversity Action Plan document, ensuring transparency and accountability.

One significant area we identified as a crucial wildlife corridor, and which, if augmented, would provide an attractive entry point into our wildlife-friendly town, was Pool Road. After a couple of initial setbacks with permissions and licenses, we successfully managed to sow the North Side with wildflowers in late autumn, marking a significant step forward in enhancing this route.

Our community orchards continue to mature beautifully, attracting both people and a diverse range of wildlife. We remain committed to augmenting the underplanting with additional plugs and wildflower seeds in the autumn, further enhancing their biodiversity.

We have also been actively working with Otley2030 on a joint venture known as the Future Weston Project. This ambitious project includes bringing free and renewable energy in the form of solar panels to both the Social Club and the Football Club. Crucially, it also involves significantly improving some of the green spaces on the Weston: specifically, the area in front of the social club, a corner of the green beside the football club transforming into a vibrant Community Nature Garden featuring wildflower meadow, nectar beds, and seating; and the green space surrounding the newly transformed play park becoming our fifth community orchard with beautiful wildflower underplanting.

We have continued our persistent, albeit so far unsuccessful, attempts to liaise with Leeds City Council regarding herbicide spraying. Our aim is to significantly reduce this practice in line with our proactive Pesticide Free Campaign, advocating for more environmentally sound land management.



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Almost six thousand informative leaflets about gardening for wildlife were successfully delivered by our dedicated volunteers to the residents of Otley, and we have received a substantial amount of positive feedback, indicating a strong community interest in supporting local wildlife.

This past year, we also proudly ran our first-ever Wildlife Friendly Garden Competition in partnership with Otley Town Council. We had the pleasure of visiting numerous inspiring wildlife-friendly gardens across Otley for the competition. There was a very encouraging response across most categories, which we are excited to build upon this year. Gardens comprise up to one-third of potential urban wildlife habitat, highlighting their immense importance. Building on the success of last year's inaugural competition, this year we are starting early to encourage members to submit photos of their gardens for wildlife and to actively plan their gardens to further encourage biodiversity. A new and exciting category specifically for Allotments will be added this year, further expanding the scope of our competition.



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Barn Owls

This year, trustee Mark Trewin successfully took over the leadership of the Barn Owl subcommittee from its esteemed founding member, Stewart Barlow, ensuring the continued vital work in monitoring and protecting these magnificent birds. Mark gave this update

“Our Barn Owl group has been busy making connections with local landowners and putting up nest boxes ready for this year's breeding season. Most of our work has been up at the Denton Reserve near Askwith where we now have 7 boxes on trees in different areas of the estate and another inside a nearby barn. In other areas we have placed new nest boxes by the river wharfe, to the west of Otley and near March Ghyll reservoir.

In total we now have over 20 boxes in place with more planned for the future.

These beautiful birds have suffered from a harsh winter and so we hope to help them recover.”

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS

For the period from 01/04/2024 to 31/03/2025

Carried forward from 31/03/2024	4043.51
Receipts (Section A1)	7307.80
Payments (Section A2)	4758.64
Net	6592.67

Bank (Section B1)	7194.67
Petty cash (Section B2)	50.00
Total	7244.67

	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total
Brought forward from year ended 31/03/24	3640.33	94.18	4043.51
Section A1: Receipts made up of:			
Donations from individuals	665.00	1833.71	2498.71
Donations from businesses/organisations	1836.82	228.00	2064.82
Wildlife Arts Festival 2024 OTC/LCC	477.00		477.00
Wharfedale Naturalists	302.07		302.07
Tesco: gardening equipment for children			0.00
Co-op Funeralcare			0.00
Events takings	2229.81	158.78	2388.59
Miscellaneous (calendars)		225.61	225.61
			0.00
	<u>5510.70</u>	<u>2447.10</u>	<u>7957.80</u>
Section A2: Payments made up of:			
Website		903.20	903.20
Bank charges		10.90	10.90
Events expenses			
Feed the Birds (Co-Op)	2282.99	110.00	2392.99
Wildlife - direct support (barn owl camera)	567.00		567.00
Wildlife for schools		120.00	120.00
Miscellaneous expenses	27.44		27.44
Stationery & printing		430.00	430.00
Insurance			0.00
Habitat restoration		159.60	159.60
	<u>145.51</u>		<u>145.51</u>
	<u>3022.94</u>	<u>1733.70</u>	<u>4756.64</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) in year ending 31/03/2024	<u>2487.76</u>	<u>713.40</u>	<u>3201.16</u>
Carried forward at 31/03/2024	<u>6437.09</u>	<u>807.58</u>	<u>7244.67</u>

Made up of:

7244.67

Section B1: Bank account:

Opening balance at 01/04/2024	3693.51
Receipts	7957.80
Payments	-4756.64
	<u>7194.67</u>

Section B2: Petty cash:

Opening balance at 01/04/2024	50.00
Receipts	0.00
Payments	0.00
	<u>50.00</u>

7244.67

Section B3: Notes to the accounts:

Signature: *B. Garcia*

Date: 19/4/25

Trustee & Treasurer, Wildlife Friendly Otley

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Foreword

This year our young charity attracted our first patron Dr George McGavin - the illustrious Entomologist and TV Presenter. Our charity also grew this year with the Trustees voting in favour of adopting the work of Wharfedale Barn Owls under our umbrella. The founder Stewart Barlow subsequently joined the board of trustees. The group have recently become a part of our small charity and will run as a subcommittee.

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Thank you to our membership, which has grown significantly from 212 in May 2023 to 291 in May 2024.

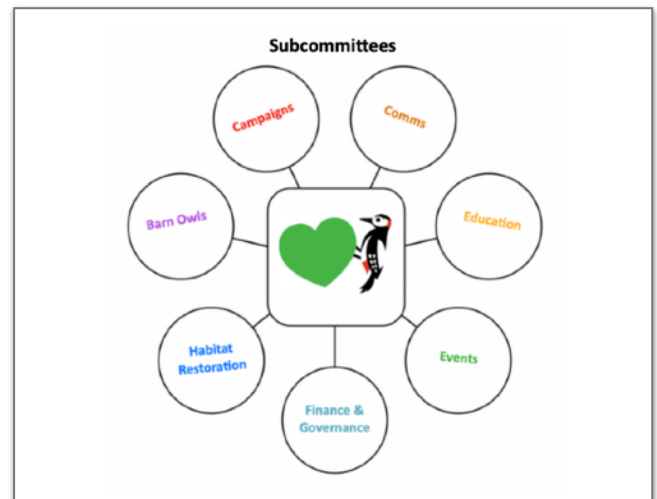


Figure 1 Structure of the charity.



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The Trustees

As of May 2024, we have 10 trustees:

Claire Blindell	Catherine Burton	Helen Hey
Jane Smith	Neil Griffin	Nic Shipp
River Six	Rob Tindall	Sarah Shipp
Stewart Barlow		

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Campaigns

We continue to campaign as the voice for wildlife in Otley, to protect the and promote the fragile relationship between people and wildlife. This year we have achieved this in a number of ways, some of which will be explored in the reports of work by the other subcommittees.

The task of this subcommittee this year was to manage and coordinate current and upcoming campaigns, including collaborations with other groups. Such as those listed below;

Feed the Birds

Equipment to feed the birds was distributed to a number of households and sheltered housing units, identified as benefitting from this connection to wildlife because they were socially vulnerable or immobile.

Leeds and Bradford Airport

As a charity, we wrote an objection to the planned expansion of Leeds and Bradford Airport. The plan to expand during a climate and biodiversity emergency is madness.

Pesticide Free Town

We officially registered Otley with the national effort, Pesticide Free Town campaign (<https://www.pan-uk.org/pesticide-free/>). This will also run alongside our Wildlife Friendly Gardens campaigning (see Habitat Restoration below) this year.

Where to see wildlife

Our popular Where to see wildlife leaflet was updated and reissued, new copies are available around town. As before it encourages the residents and visitors to Otley to go spend time in our green spaces and connect with the wildlife and nature found there.



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Communications

This subcommittee includes the management of press releases, social media and the website.

Press releases

We have maintained an active presence in the traditional media, with some room for growth on social media. There have been many press releases issued by the charity and published in the local Wharfedale Observer and in wider media, such as the Yorkshire Evening Post.

Publicity for the 2023 Wildlife Arts Festival was again extensive, appearing in local and regional press.

We have also supported Friends of Weston Woods by organising press releases for the visit of Julia Davies whose loan enabled the Friends to mount a successful bid, and subsequently the launch of a new crowdfunding campaign to repay the loan.

We also publicised the joining of Wharfedale Barn Owls to our charity.

Social media

Many of our activities and achievements go under reported on social media, due to not having enough support. We are actively recruiting more help here. Having said that our social media figures have continued to increase this year.

Our social media figures are as follows

Newsletters

Helen and River have successfully put out 3 newsletters in this last year, every season. These newsletters were sent to all out members.

Other media

Both Amy-Jane Beer and George McGavin (our guest speakers at the 2023 Wildlife Arts Festival) praised WFO, our aims and work in their radio interviews about their talks.

Stewart set up our own YouTube channel; Wildlife Friendly TV. It includes a live feed of one of our occupied barn owl boxes.

Stewart also created a short film at our community orchard planting event (see Habitat Restoration below).

The website needs updating, we are actively recruiting help for this.



1K+ up from 961



600 up from 538



979 up from 908



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Education

The purpose of the Education subcommittee is to establish and maintain working relationships with the Otley group of schools, promote onsite habitat management and organise adult education opportunities.

All Saints Primary School

Neil returned to the school and helped their Global Champions repair their old mini-beast hotel. As part of the Wildlife Arts Festival build up, author Jeanne Willis visited the school to repeat the day she did at Westgate last year, again funded mostly by Wharfedale Naturalists.

Ashfield Primary School

Neil successfully led a series of nature-engagement lessons at Ashfield Primary School. These were based on the Science curriculum and funded by Wharfedale Naturalists' Society (Nursery and Years 1, 2, 3 and 5).

Pupils provided wildlife poems and pictures for the Wildlife Arts Festival exhibition at the Courthouse.

The school accepted our donation in the form of a Microclimate Books bundle.

In February Neil visited Year 2 to make a presentation "How local groups can have a positive impact on wildlife and climate" as part of the new climate change curriculum.

In March on 11 March, River, Jane and Neil helped pupils plant up the school verge with bulbs and wildflower seed.

Pool Primary School

In November 2023 Cathy, Neil and River, with parents and pupils of Pool Primary met at the neglected pond at Pool Primary to bring it back to life. The pond was in a much worse state than anticipated, as well as being choked with Irises, the pond was also full of rubbish, including cones and laptops! After removing some of the damaged liner, the pond was still holding water. The decision was made to promote the existing pond as an ephemeral (seasonal) pond, whilst also finding funding for a couple of raised ponds for the school to pond dip.

As part of Science Week, on March 20 Cathy and I spent an afternoon working with Year 4.

Cathy led Wildlife Detective activities including identifying tracks, poo and bones; whilst Neil supported children planting bulbs and seed outside plus the educational wildlife games.



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Prince Henry's Grammar School

On Timanyane (citizenship) Day, 11 July Year 10 students helped us reducing cleavers and bindweed and watering beds at Wharfemeadow Park. Students have also assisted us staffing stalls at events (eg Carnival), supporting activities (eg Discovery Day) and balsam-bashing on the Chevin. Our Patron George McGavin held a special presentation "The Secret Science of Sewage" for Year 10 as part of the Wildlife Arts Festival build up.

Helen, Neil and River met with the Eco-mittee, teachers from the Science, IT and Geography departments were also in attendance, plus the site manage. We explained the opportunities for students to get involved with bioblitzes (inc one at Henry's) and the barn owl project. The meeting also involved talking to the students about becoming a trustee when they turn 16, Helen has continued to work with them.

Queensway Primary School, Yeadon

As part of their Science Week on March 14 Neil ran a wildlife day that involved every pupil in the (small) school. This followed the usual structure, with the addition of dipping in their very well-stocked pond (there were many newts and frogs).

Westgate Primary School

The school accepted our donation in the form of a Microclimate Books bundle.

Claire, Jane and Neil helped pupils from their Eco Team with planting at Grove Hill park to supplement that done last autumn.



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Events

Chevin Discovery Day 2023

As well as our stall, Cathy led a mini-beast hunt, Steve led walks on wildflowers and foraging, and Rebecca and Neil led a smartphone photography walk. It was a very successful event. It was decided together with the partners of the event, the Friends of Chevin Forest 2024 will be a fallow year for the Discovery Day but will return in 2025 and will be a biannual event going forward.

Otley Carnival 2023

Our stall attracted plenty of attention, despite the rain and a huge swarm of bees, which some people seemed to think we'd laid on. We sold wildlife-friendly plants kindly donated by members, and exhibited a variety of natural artefacts such as the shed skin of a grass snake.

Otley Science Festival 2023

As well as our stall, Steve led an autumn/winter trees walk, Wharfedale Mens' Shed led a build-a-nestbox workshop.

Walking Festival 2023

We ran well-attended walks about (1)wildflowers and (2)trees (both led by Steve); (3)where to watch wildlife in Otley and (4)on the Chevin (led by Neil and Steve).

Wildlife Arts Festival 2023

Our ever popular festival returned in 2023 with sponsorship from Otley Town Council and local business Sinclair's. The festival featured triple ticketed events for the first time: These Hills Are Ours, Daniel Bye & Boff Whalley; Amy Jane Beer and George McGavin. As in previous years we hosted a wildlife art exhibition in the main courtroom of Otley Courthouse: a high-quality exhibition of nature art in a variety of media by 5 creative groups and a further 21 individuals. As well as a series of free talks in the Labour Rooms. Also happening were a schedule of workshops for adults and children; a linocut printing workshop by Kim Coley, a poetry workshop, squirrel crafts with Pat Foster, sticker art with Alex Eve. In the hall with the artwork were 8 stalls: WFO, Otley Camera Club, Helen Sky Roberts (wildlife photographer), YWT, Friends of Weston Woods, Wharfedale Naturalists, Prickly Pigs, Chevin Watercolour Group; and outside there was a live a chainsaw sculpting demo.

The expanded festival was a success.

Finance and Governance

The financial report below has been submitted by Sarah Shipp, our treasurer.

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS

For the period from 01/04/2023 to 31/03/2024

		Restricted	Unrestricted
Carried forward from 31/03/2023	£4967.84	£4467.25	£500.59
Receipts (Section A1)	£5067.75		
Payments (Section A2)	£5992.08		
Net	£4043.51		
Bank (Section B1)	£3993.51		
Petty cash (Section B2)	£50.00		
	£4043.51		

Section A1

Receipts made up of:	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total
Donations from individuals	£25.00	£4.98	£29.98
Donations from businesses		£610.00	£610.00
Wildlife Arts Festival 2022			
OTC/LCC (Leeds Inspired Grant)	£400.00		£400.00
Wharfedale Naturalists:			
wildflower seeds grant	£800.00		£800.00
Co-Op Funeralcare	£763.20		£763.20
Events takings	£2175.50	289.07	£2464.57
Total	£4163.70	£904.05	£5067.75

Section A2

Payments made up of	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total
Website		£28.78	£28.78
Bank charges		£8.40	£8.40
Events expenses	£2671.09	£320.31	£2991.40
Feed the Birds (Co-Op)	£363.64		£363.64
Barn owl boxes			

Wildlife for schools	£82.19		£82.19
Miscellaneous expenses	£400.00	£252.50	£652.50
Stationary and printing		£398.39	£398.39
Insurance		£159.60	£159.60
Habitat restoration	£1164.70	£142.48	£1307.18
Totals	£4681.62	£1310.46	£5992.08
Surplus in year ending 31/03/2023	- £517.92	- £406.41	- £924.33
Carried forward at 31/03/2023	£3949.33	£94.18	£4043.51

Section B1

Bank Account

Opening balance at 01/04/2023	£4917.84
Receipts	£5067.75
Payments	- £5992.08
	£3993.51

Section B2

Petty Cash

Opening balance at 16/12/2021	£50.00
Receipts	0.00
Payments	0.00
	50.00



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Habitat Restoration

Work towards the goals of our Nature Recovery Plan for Otley drive the work of this subcommittee. Progress is slower than we would like, but progress is being made.

A third community orchard was planted in St Martins Fields in October 2023, as well as a line of fruit trees in Grove Hill Park. We continued to diversify the underplanting at all our three community orchard sites with wildflower seeds made possible by a donation from Wharfedale Naturalists. We also planted a number of wildflower patches through the town, to add to our existing meadow islands, including at Grove Hill Park, and Adlington House.

We will have continued to work with Leeds Parks and Countryside to make this progress possible, through signing Community Partnership Agreements.

Otley Town Council commissioned a biodiversity audit of the habitat in the whole parish of Otley. The work was carried out by Haycock and Jay Associates, mapped by River. This will inform a lot of our habitat restoration work going forward, particularly creating meaningful wildlife corridors through the urban areas (including peoples gardens).

After a focus on the community orchards and biodiversity audit part of the nature recovery plan in 2023, we shifted into wildlife in gardens and wider wildlife corridors as our primary focus in 2024.

Otley Town Council funded us to produce a leaflet on restoring wildlife in gardens, thanks to our volunteers 6500 were delivered to every household in Otley.

As well as the leaflet, we are running our first annual Wildlife Garden Competition.

Barn Owls

Since joining the charity, the Barn Owl group have been restricted to become a subcommittee and has spent time recruiting members and assigning roles. Stewart has recruited a new ringer and can now begin building field skills within the group this season.

The nestbox camera in Leathley has been a success so far, with the barn owl named Betty laying her first egg being laid on 27 April at 1.10 am.

Stewart ran a successful Facebook fundraiser raised £93.78 and has been to be transferred to WFO's paypal through the Paypal Giving Fund.

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For the period from 01/04/2023 to 31/03/2024

Carried forward from 31/03/2023

Receipts (Section A1)

Payments (Section A2)

Net

Bank (Section B1)

Petty cash (Section B2)

Brought forward from year ended 31/03/23

Section A1: Receipts made up of:

Donations from individuals

Donations from businesses/organisations

Wildlife Arts Festival 2023 OTC/LCC (Leeds Inspired grant)

Wharfedale Naturalists: wildflower seeds grant

Tesco: gardening equipment for children

Co-op Funeralcare

Events takings

Section A2: Payments made up of:

Website

Bank charges

Events expenses

Feed the Birds (Co-Op)

Wildlife - direct support (barn owl boxes)

Wildlife for schools

Miscellaneous expenses

Stationery & printing

Insurance

Habitat restoration

Surplus/(Deficit) in year ending 31/03/2023

Carried forward at 31/03/2023

Made up of:

Section B1: Bank account:

Opening balance at 01/04/2023

Receipts

Payments

Section B2: Petty cash:

Opening balance at 01/04/2023

Receipts

Payments

Section B3: Notes to the accounts:

Signature:

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Date:05/05/2024



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	4967.84
	5067.75
	5992.08
	4043.51

	3993.51
	50.00
	4043.51

Restricted	Unrestricted	Total
4467.25	500.59	4967.84
25.00	4.98	29.98
	610.00	610.00
400.00		400.00
800.00		800.00
		0.00
763.20		763.20
2175.50	289.07	2464.57
		0.00
		0.00
<u>4163.70</u>	<u>904.05</u>	<u>5067.75</u>
	28.78	28.78
	8.40	8.40
2671.09	320.31	2991.40
363.64		363.64
		0.00
82.19		82.19
400.00	252.50	652.50
	398.39	398.39
	159.60	159.60
1164.70	142.48	1307.18
<u>4681.62</u>	<u>1310.46</u>	<u>5992.08</u>

-517.92	-406.41	-924.33
3949.33	94.18	4043.51

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Trustee & Treasurer, Wildlife Friendly Otley

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Annual Report April

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Foreword

Wildlife Friendly Otley is a small local charity, established in October 2018.

Public interest in nature is high, with the big charities such as RSPB and the Wildlife Trusts attracting 2 million members, but British wildlife has still declined by more than half in the last 40-50 years and is under continuous threat. Locally we can see this decline first hand, it was this disconnect we hoped to address forming Wildlife Friendly Otley (WFO) and declaring Otley as the first wildlife friendly town.

By declaring Otley as the first wildlife friendly town, we can set an example of how towns can be rich in nature and wildlife; reversing some of the loss of nature on our own doorsteps. Whilst making Otley an even more attractive place to live, work and visit.

Our charitable objects are:

- To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation of the wildlife and wildlife habitats and protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment of Otley and the surrounding area.
- To advance the education and appreciation of the public regarding the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment.

The charity is governed by the board of trustees, all of whom are equally responsible and have a single vote in decision making. In the case of a tie, the chair of the meeting will cast the deciding vote.

The work of our charity is divided into six subcommittees (see figure 1); Campaigns, Communications, Education, Events, Finance & Governance and Habitat Restoration. The work of each subcommittee for the past year will be described in the remainder of this report.

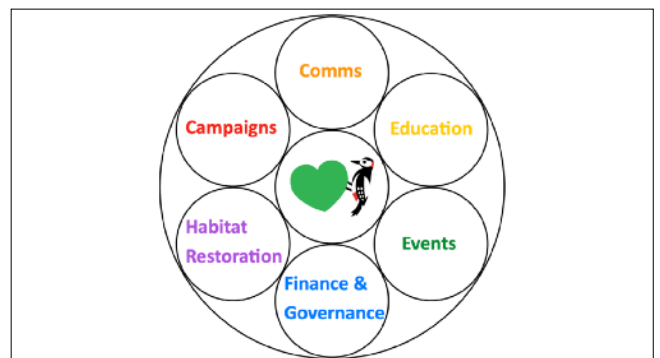


Figure 1 Structure of the charity.

Thank you to our membership, which has grown significantly and stands at 212 members in May 2023. A high number of members now also volunteer, a special thank you to our volunteers, whose support is vital for the work we do. In order to ensure WFO maintains excellent communication



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with a growing membership and volunteer group Helen Hey, Trustee has taken the role of Membership Secretary from May 2023 which River Six previously undertook.

Helen Hey has communicated this change to the members and provided information about WFO our continued compliance with GDPR legislation.

The Trustees

As of May 2023, we have 12 trustees:

Andrew McKeon	Catherine Burton	Claire Blindell
Helen Hey	Jane Smith	Neil Griffin
Nic Shipp	Richard Askew	River Six
Rob Tindall	Sarah Shipp	Steve Heaton

Our schedule of meeting as trustees is as follows;

January	General committee meeting
February	No meeting
March	General committee meeting
April	No meeting
May	Trustee meeting
June	AGM
July	No meeting
August	Trustee meeting
September	No meeting
October	General committee meeting
November	Trustee meeting
December	No meeting

The subcommittees also meet as individual working groups regularly.



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Campaigns

As we are a campaigning organisation, most of what we do is a campaign; i.e. activities designed to raise awareness about wildlife and encourage people and organisations to experience and enjoy it and consequently become more wildlife friendly. All the following subcommittee reports on our activities can be seen in that light. The task of this subcommittee is to manage and coordinate current campaigns, including collaborations with other groups. Such as Feed the Birds, Otley Hedgehogs, Pledge Campaign.

The Nature Recovery Plan

Currently one campaign stands out and that is highlighted by the recent decision by Otley Town Council (OTC) to declare a biodiversity emergency. This is a direct result of the work done by the Habitat Restoration subcommittee. A Nature Recovery Plan for Otley has been prepared by the subcommittee (view on our website) and has been adopted by OTC.

East of Otley Development Plan

After fierce opposition by ourselves and many others who supported the East of Otley Action Group, the development plan for 750 houses and an outer relief road was withdrawn at the end of 2021 and we are still waiting for the publication of a much delayed new plan.

Weston Woods

This year we have also been a part of forming a big collaborative group the Friends of Weston Woods with our partners Menston Area Nature Trust, Otley 2030, Wharfedale Naturalists Society, Climate Action Menston, Climate Action Ilkley, Addingham Environment Group and Yorkshire Rewilding Network — in order to instigate a community buyout campaign to protect Weston Woods.

Pledge Campaign

Efforts to encourage people to pledge to be more wildlife friendly continue. Recently we started to approach local businesses including the new Otley Garden Centre. We also gave presentation to Otley Chamber of Trade.



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Communications

This subcommittee includes the management of press releases, social media and the website.

Press releases

We have maintained an active presence in the traditional media, as well as social media. There have been many press releases issued by the charity and published both in the local Wharfedale Observer and on social media.

Publicity for the 2022 Wildlife Arts Festival was extensive in local and regional press.

Reports of the success of the Arts Festival and the launch of the Nature Recovery Plan with Otley Nature Network were well covered in the December issue of Otley Matters, which covers our activities in each quarterly issue.

The launch of our Nature Recovery Plan got excellent coverage in the Wharfedale Observer and Yorkshire Post.

We made it to BBC Look North this year, with our involvement in the Save Weston Woods campaign.

Social media

This year has seen a large amount of positive comments about the wildflower beds around town and in particular the four in Wharfemeadows Park. These positive reactions were reported back to both Otley Council and Leeds CC Parks departments.

Our social media figures are as follows

 961

 538

 908



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Education

The purpose of the Education subcommittee is to establish and maintain working relationships with the Otley group of schools, promote onsite habitat management and organise adult education opportunities.

All Saints Primary School

Last summer (2022) our “Wonderful Wildlife Day,” was very positively received, with the entire school doing wildlife-related activities all day, starting with an assembly presented by our education officer, Neil Griffin. We arranged for other visitors to be a part of the day, including the Yorkshire Dales River Trust and Prickly Pigs Hedgehog Rescue.

Pool Primary School

This year the Education committee expanded down the road to Pool, as well as tree planting, we are planning a clean up and repair of their pond in the autumn this year..

Prince Henry’s Grammar School

The students have been making bird boxes and we visited to advise where to best situate them, to maximise the chances of them being occupied. Their Eco-committee also attended and presented at the launch event of our Nature Recovery Plan on the 1 November 2022, alongside famous and renowned broadcaster and entomologist George McGavin.

We received funding from the Co-Op for the nest cams to be set up on the school grounds.

Westgate Primary School

The students also benefitted from a book-reading visit from children’s author Jeanne Willis as part of the wildlife arts festival.

Whartons Primary School

A discussion and plan around creating a wetland like Addingham Primary’s in the school grounds has begun.



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Events

The purpose of this subcommittee is to manage our calendar of events that we organise and participate in. In 2022 we had stalls at the Otley Show, Otley Carnival, the Chevin Discovery Day and provided 4 wildlife walks for the Walking Festival; all of which we are repeating in 2023, except the Otley Show.

Chevin Discovery Day 2022

There was a lot of positive feedback from visitors, the art and music elements were successful additions this year. We were aided by the Duke of Edinburgh award students from Prince Henry's. Just under 200 people attended, mostly families with primary-aged kids — it was also more racially diverse this year — although not many older or disabled visitors.

Our own plants and cake sale was very popular, the feedback from our volunteers including providing a seat/drink/cake next year.

The success of last year has allowed us to plan big and better events this year, on Sunday 25th June.

Wildlife Arts Festival 2022

The festival was bigger and better last year, featuring presentations by 3 nationally-known authors, one nationally-known film-maker, 6 local creative groups, a further 15 artists and 8 photographers, 4 musicians, a well-being practitioner, and 3 workshops for people to get involved in.

With Leeds Inspired awarding us £1300 and the Wharfedale Naturalist Society awarding us £580, we were able to recruit: Simon Barnes, who opened the festival on Friday evening, Jeanne Willis who ran a workshop with the students at Westgate school, (£580 grant from WNS), and Ian McCarthy returning with his new presentation "Howling With Wolves". A "music inspired by nature" workshop (using natural sound samples) was also run by Richard Sabey at Woolpack.

Otley Town Council also awarded the festival £400 from its community development fund.

Finance and Governance

This year has seen a big change in the board of trustees, we lost two associated with the Finance and Governance subcommittee. Danny Hudson, long time treasurer and founding member stepped back as a trustee, we would all like to give her a special thanks for all the hard work she has put in (voluntarily!) over the years. A big thank you also to Chris Huby, who also stepped down, for his contribution.

Sarah Shipp took over as treasurer, supported by Nic Shipp.

The financial report is as follows;

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS

For the period from 16/12/2021 to 31/03/2023

		Restricted	Unrestricted
Carried forward from 15/12/2021	£1990.4	£325.68	£1664.72
Receipts (Section A1)	£9020.46		
Receipts (Section A2)	£6043.02		
Net	£4967.84		
Bank (Section B1)	£4917.84		
Petty cash (Section B2)	£50.00		
	£4967.84		

Section A1

Receipts made up of:	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total
Donations from individuals	£1300.00	£383.33	£1683.33
Donations from businesses	£250.00	£150.00	£400.00
Wildlife Arts Festival 2022			
OTC/LCC (Leeds Inspired Grant)	£1570.00		£1570.00
Wharfedale Naturalists:			
wildflower seeds grant	£400.00		£400.00
Tesco; children's gardening tools	£1000.00		£1000.00
Co-Op Funeralcare	£2129.86		£2129.86
Events takings	£1506.87	£330.40	£1837.27
Total	£8156.73	£863.73	£9020.46

Section A2

Payments made up of	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total
Website		£408.58	£408.58
Bank charges		£10.40	£10.40
Events expenses	£1729.10	£900.09	£2629.19
Lush: Hedgehog highway; face plates for holes	£103.18	-13.18	£90.00
Barn owl boxes (Wharfedale Barn Owls)	£50.00	£140.00	£190.00
Wildlife for schools	£27.93		£27.93
Tesco; children's gardening tools	£1000.00	-0.37	£999.63
Stationary and printing	£45.00	£66.00	£111.00
Insurance		£157.00	£157.00
Habitat restoration	£1069.29	£350.00	£1419.29
Totals	£4024.50	£2018.52	£6043.02
Surplus in year ending 31/03/2023	£4132.23	-1154.79	£2977.44
Carried forward at 31/03/2023	£4457.91	£509.93	£4967.84

Section B1
Bank Account

Opening balance at 16/12/2021	£1956.40
Receipts	£9004.46
Payments	-6043.02
	£4917.84

Section B2
Petty Cash

Opening balance at 16/12/2021	£34.00
Receipts	£16.00
Payments	0.00
	50.00

Habitat Restoration

The purpose of this subcommittee is simple habitat restoration. By working to create wildlife corridors throughout the town in order to enhance and restore our wildflower, insect and wider wildlife populations, whilst also improving connectivity between habitats. We have successfully liaised with a number of businesses and institutions in Otley, including the hospital, churches and others, to relax mowing on their land and allow the wildlife corridors to flourish. This subcommittee also include the work we do to encourage wildlife friendly gardens, which themselves can become part of a meaningful wildlife corridor.

This year, after 4 years of difficult lobbying, Leeds City Council (LCC) is starting to bring about some changes in its management of Otley's green spaces, including the flower seeding in Manor Garth Park.

Together with Otley2030 and Otley in Bloom, we saved the flower beds in Wharfemeadows Park from being grassed over, and have planted them with pollinator-friendly plants, which has proved very popular with the public. This is another important step in persuading LCC to re-evaluate their management of our green spaces.

Following a successful campaign of evidence and public support, Otley Town Council declared a biodiversity emergency, akin to their climate emergency.

This is an important step for our local council, as it implies that action must follow.

We published our Nature Recovery Plan for Otley, which OTC have adopted. This dynamic document highlights actions to be taken in conjunction with OTC to restore biodiversity, including lobbying LCC to ban the use of herbicides, further habitat restoration, reduction in light pollution and other wildlife corridor initiatives such as our wildlife in gardens scheme.

Progress is slow, but in the right direction, and support for biodiversity restoration is swelling amongst the public and OTC.

We continuing to pursue the implementation of our Nature Recovery Plan with OTC. We have prepared a number of documents, including a management plan focussing on the creation of community orchards, to persuade LCC. Two community orchards were planted this year, with a further four planned for the coming autumn.



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A programme of seeding various sites around town took place over the autumn, thanks to a generous donation from the Wharfedale Naturalist Society. We also received a very generous

donation of £1300 from the charity, Cash Bash Trash, which operates in Bermuda, removing trash from the ocean for which they are sponsored. The contact came via a WFO supporter, whose land we had previously seeded.

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Carried forward from 15/12/2021	1990.40
Receipts (Section A1)	9020.46
Payments (Section A2)	6043.02
Net	4967.84

Bank (Section B1)	4917.84
Petty cash (Section B2)	50.00
	4967.84

	Restricted	Unrestricted	Total
Brought forward from year ended 15/12/2021	325.68	1664.72	1990.40
Section A1: Receipts made up of:			
Donations from individuals	1300.00	383.33	1683.33
Donations from businesses	250.00	150.00	400.00
Wildlife Arts Festival 2022 OTC/LCC (Leeds Inspired grant)	1570.00		1570.00
Wharfedale Naturalists: wildflower seeds grant	400.00		400.00
Tesco: gardening equipment for children	1000.00		1000.00
Co-op Funeralcare	2129.86		2129.86
Events takings	1506.87	330.40	1837.27
			0.00
			0.00
	<u>8156.73</u>	<u>863.73</u>	<u>9020.46</u>
Section A2: Payments made up of:			
Website		408.58	408.58
Bank charges		10.40	10.40
Events expenses	1729.10	900.09	2629.19
Lush: Hedgehog highway - face plates for hedgehog holes	103.18	-13.18	90.00
Wildlife - direct support (barn owl boxes)	50.00	140.00	190.00
Wildlife for schools	27.93		27.93
Tesco: Blue token grant - children's gardening tools & equipment	1000.00	-0.37	999.63
Stationery & printing	45.00	66.00	111.00
Insurance		157.00	157.00
Habitat restoration	1069.29	350.00	1419.29
	<u>4024.50</u>	<u>2018.52</u>	<u>6043.02</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) in year ending 31/03/2023	<u>4132.23</u>	<u>-1154.79</u>	<u>2977.44</u>
Carried forward at 31/03/2023	<u>4457.91</u>	<u>509.93</u>	<u>4967.84</u>

Made up of:**Section B1: Bank account:**

Opening balance at 16/12/2021	1956.40
Receipts	9004.46
Payments	-6043.02
	<u>4917.84</u>

Section B2: Petty cash:

Opening balance at 16/12/2021	34.00
Receipts	16.00
Payments	0.00
	<u>50.00</u>

Section B3: Notes to the accounts:

Signature:

 Sarah Shipp
 Treasurer, Wildlife Friendly Otley

Date: 03/05/2023