



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 31	Month January	Year 2023		Day 31	Month December	Year 2023

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name Warlingham Forest Schoolers

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1201776

Charity's principal address 1 Chapel Road

Warlingham

Postcode

CR6 9LH

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	Pamela Whittingham		31 January 2023 to 31 December 2023	
2	Sarah Dunnell		31 January 2023 to 31 December 2023	
3	Abigail Cornish		31 January 2023 to 31 December 2023	
4	Emma Armfield		31 January 2023 to 31 December 2023	
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Sarah Morgan

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CIO
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by founder

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The advancement of education for public benefit through provision of a forest school using any means to enable all children and young people to benefit from increased opportunities for high quality and varied educational experiences in the natural world.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Activities and Achievements: During the reporting period, Warlingham Forest Schoolers commenced its delivery of impactful educational sessions in the natural environment. Our activities included:

Outdoor learning sessions: We conducted various forest school sessions, providing children with opportunities for hands-on learning, exploration, and play in nature. Warlingham Forest Schoolers runs forest school sessions for local children at an affordable price. Our programs have positively impacted the lives of numerous children and families, promoting physical and mental well-being, enhancing environmental awareness, and fostering a deeper connection to nature.

Site improvement Project: a significant amount of work has been carried out on the forest school site to clear areas and remove rubbish from the site, making it accessible for wheelchair users and to improve accessibility more generally.

Community engagement: We organised community events such as volunteer clean-up days to foster a sense of belonging and environmental stewardship within the local community. We recruited a core team of volunteers from the local community to assist with sessions and administration of the charity.

Partnerships: We collaborated with local businesses including the COOP, local schools, community groups, and environmental organizations to expand our reach and impact.

Fundraising: Through various fundraising initiatives, including grant applications and events, we secured vital funding to sustain our operations and enhance our programs.

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Trustee statement: As the charity was set up in 2023 and this is our first year of operation, the Trustees have spent time considering the objects and activities of the charity to ensure they meet the guidance issued by the charity commission on public benefit.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Setting up the forest school

We have carried out extensive work in 2023 to set up our forest school including clearing and setting up the site, setting up governance including the constitution and policies and procedures, recruiting volunteers and starting to run sessions.

Fundraising

We successfully raised funds through various sources to support our forest school including funds from Surrey and Tandridge Council, the Tandridge lottery and the COOP. We also attended local events, dressed as squirrels, to promote our forest school including Blanchman's fair, Warlingham Lights, promotion outside of the COOP store in collaboration with the COOP.

Sessions

Forest school sessions

We ran 2 free sessions in spring and summer 2023 attended on average by 10 to 15 children. In the second half of the year, we ran 2 paying forest school sessions with up to 10 children attending each session. The children took part in various nature focused activities as well as having freedom to explore nature on the site.

Stargazing event

We ran a stargazing event for 42 children and their parents on the site in November. Both adults and children learned about the moon, stars and planets as well as having the opportunity to view them through telescopes. It is one of our most popular events and we offer this at a very affordable price for families.

Santa event

We ran a Christmas themed event for 32 children and their parents including a visit with Santa at a lower price than similar commercial events. The children took part in nature related activities with a Christmas theme.

Volunteer days

We ran 2 volunteer days on site for our local volunteers to come and help us clean up the site and hear about our plans. We have had 10 to 15 volunteers attend each of these days. We also supported the planting of apple trees on the site in partnership with the local community, COPSE charity and environmental team from Surrey Council.

We have received positive feedback from all of our events both on the good value they represent and the activities that take place. We have been told that children have been inspired with an interest in e.g. the moon or growing plants that has continued after the events.

Our events have been attended by children with physical and mental disabilities and we have set the site up so that it is accessible to wheelchairs.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity will maintain reserves at a level deemed sufficient to meet its operational needs and strategic priorities. Currently, our ongoing constant operational costs are approximately £2,000 and we maintain reserves to cover a year's worth of these costs.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

No funds are in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F



Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	PAMELA WHITTINGHAM	KAY CLAYTON
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)		
Date	17.10.2024	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Warlingham Forest Schoolers

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

31-Jan-23

To

31-Dec-23

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					
Donations	4,961	1,300	-	6,261	-
Event income	877	-	-	877	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	5,837	1,300	-	7,137	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	5,837	1,300	-	7,137	-
A3 Payments					
Event costs	458	-	-	458	-
Insurance	619	-	-	619	-
Website maintenance	250	-	-	250	-
Training	204	204	-	408	-
Tent	-	519	-	519	-
Flag	-	277	-	277	-
Equipment	280	-	-	280	-
Website design	675	-	-	675	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,486	1,000	-	3,486	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	2,486	1,000	-	3,486	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	3,351	300	-	3,651	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	3,351	300	-	3,651	-

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	Coop Bank account	3,351	300	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	3,351	300	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Tent	Restricted	519	-
	Flag	Restricted	277	-
	Equipment	Unrestricted	280	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
<i>Pam Whittingham</i>	PAM WHITTINGHAM	19.8.24
<i>E. Armfield</i>	EMMA ARMFIELD	19/8/24