

## **Ryedale Environment Group (Charity no 1072762)**

### **Trustees Annual Report 2024-2025**

Ryedale Environment Group (REG) is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) focused on promoting the conservation, protection, and improvement of the physical and natural environment. This is primarily (but not exclusively) achieved by encouraging recycling and providing environmental education events and activities.

For the reporting period (01 April 2024 to 31 March 2025) REG's main activities included the formation of small local groups and running a nature restoration conference. Other projects include the Paths for Everyone (P4E) project aiming at joining the market towns of Ryedale by a network of tracks, paths and country lanes to provide a multi-user path to encourage active travel and enhance biodiversity. The path when complete will be well over 40 miles in length. We also continue to provide free online events.

REG have also maintained apple juice production to cover their main running costs. The juice is obtained from windfalls and prevents food waste. REG has a continued involvement with ecofairs, participating in the 'Earth day' fair organized by the Pickering Environment Group. REG has helped to create local groups and uses its banking facility to enable community events for example the North Yorkshire Climate Coalition's inspiring local climate action event in Harrogate. REG continues to work with the council to improve recycling and composting understanding. The charity relies on its 30-40 volunteers from across Ryedale.

REG trustees take their role of governance very seriously. As a fledgling charity, REG operate with a written constitution and trustees are selected through open election at the AGM. Basic policies are in place for the induction and training of trustees based on Charity Commission guidance. Additional policies have been put in place to protect both the charity and the broader volunteer base as well as the general public when attending events. The charity is aware that the main risks to the Charity are financial and reputational risk. The trustees confirm that due regard is paid to public benefit as all their events are free.

REG have much to do in terms of our existing projects 'P4E' and 'Restoring Ryedale' but we have other projects such as 'Beyond Plastic' that are just starting to gain some momentum. It is likely that REG will be involved in a large citizen science project relating to waterways in Ryedale over the course of 2025. Another Restoring Ryedale conference will be held in September 2025 and will be financed by our funding partner at North York Moors National Park Authority.

REG acts as a fundholding trustee, holding cash reserves for several smaller, informal organizations with similar goals, such as Pickering Environmental Group (PEG) and Pickering Swifts (who have decided to merge formally as of 1 April 2025). At the end of the 24/25 financial year REG held £4128 of restricted funding on behalf of other groups and its own projects. The only unrestricted funding (specific to REG) stood at £1590 at the year end.

REG has grown financially in the current year. Costs remain low as the charity relies entirely on volunteers. The financial summary accounts approved for the financial year (24/25) at the 2025 AGM show a total expenditure of £50478 and an income of £54331, resulting in a closing balance at the bank of £5718. Most of our grant funding was related to the P4E project and came from a variety of funders including North Yorkshire Council and Malton Town Council. Other funders included, North York Moors National Park Authority and a whole host of individuals who have donated or bought our apple juice. REG sincerely thanks all of them.

### **Names of REG trustees who managed the charity for the Financial year 2024/2025**

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not whole year
1 Chris Dowie	Chair	
2 Peter Winter	Secretary	
3 David Davis	Treasurer	
4 Helen Gundry		
5 Lisa Holden		
6 Simon Lovel		
7 Linda Shipley (resigned)		April 2024 – Jan 2025

Signed by

Chris Dowie - Chair

Peter Winter- Secretary

David Davis – Treasurer

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FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

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## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 1-Apr-24	To	Period end date 31-Mar-25
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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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
REG	1,756	-	-	1,756	-
Restoring Ryedale	-	3,051	-	3,051	-
Paths For Everyone	-	48,387	-	48,387	-
Climate Coalition	-	748	-	748	-
Pickering Environment Gp	-	35	-	35	-
Pickering Swifts	-	255	-	255	-
Slingsby Parish Env Group	-	99	-	99	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	1,756	52,575	-	54,331	-
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	1,756	52,575	-	54,331	-
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
REG	725	-	-	725	-
Restoring Ryedale	-	2,226	-	2,226	-
Paths For Everyone	-	46,802	-	46,802	-
Climate Coalition	-	438	-	438	-
Pickering Environment Gp	-	135	-	135	-
Pickering Swifts	-	152	-	152	-
Slingsby Parish Env Group	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	725	49,753	-	50,478	-
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	725	49,753	-	50,478	-
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	1,031	2,822	-	3,853	-
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	- 166	166	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	725	1,140	-	1,865	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	1,590	4,128	-	5,718	-

## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>1,590</b>	<b>4,128</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Restricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Endowment funds to nearest £</b>
	None	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
	None		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
	None		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due (optional)</b>	<b>When due (optional)</b>
	None		-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	<b>Signature</b>	<b>Print Name</b>	<b>Date of approval</b>	
		David R Davis	14-Oct-25	
		Chris Dowie	14-Oct-25	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name  
Ryedale Environment Group

On accounts for the year  
ended

31<sup>st</sup> March 2025

Charity no  
(if any)

1202762

Set out on pages

1 and 2 of this report – no additional sheets

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 03 / 2025.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

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:

25/11/2025

Name:

Will Menzies ACMA AGMA

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

Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA)

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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.