

NATURE WARRIORS

England & Wales · Charity number 1202803

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2023-04-21

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE:1) THE PROMOTION OF COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN HEALTHY RECREATION BY THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR WRESTLING AND OTHER SPORTS.2) TO ADVANCE IN LIFE AND HELP YOUNG PEOPLE THROUGH: (A) THE PROVISION OF RECREATIONAL AND LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES PROVIDED IN THE INTEREST OF SOCIAL WELFARE, DESIGNED TO IMPROVE THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE; (B) PROVIDING SUPPORT AND ACTIVITIES WHICH DEVELOP THEIR SKILLS, CAPACITIES AND CAPABILITIES TO ENABLE THEM TO PARTICIPATE IN SOCIETY AS MATURE AND RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS.

Activities: The charity provides recreational activities to develop people in sports and other leisure activities to improve conditions of life. It also develops skills capacities and capabilities using the outdoors, nature, and environmental activities to enable them to participate fully in society.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Amateur Sport, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Lancashire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-05-31	£131,377	£113,411	-	-
2024-05-31	£141,891	£68,491	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Naveela Rashid	Chair	2023-01-09
Nosheen Bhatti		2023-01-09
Zaheer Abbas		2023-01-09

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Annual Update



At Nature Warriors we encourage people to become more active. This was a key driver that helped us to setup the charity following the Covid Pandemic. Whether that is our outdoor programmes that focus on environmental awareness to our weekly martial arts sessions, we are all about getting people happy through learning and movement.

Many of our activities are geared towards children and young people as we aim to provide positive and enriching projects as an antidote to device-drive entertainment that is increasingly taking over their lives





ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

After moving into our new building, we set about refurbishing the space and are delighted we have now have created something special for the community with a large matted dojo area, a community gym and meeting space. We have been using the space for delivery of our youth focused education provision, martial arts and multi sports sessions, our popular couch to gym bootcamps and refugee digital literacy and fitness sessions. We have also been using the space to deliver our public speaking courses and a warm space for the local community.

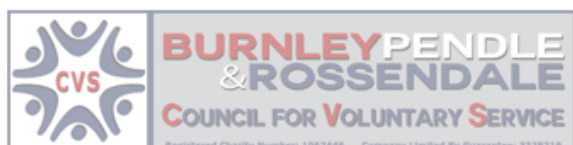
Outside of the building, we have been delivering our 'Custodians of the Earth' programme continuing to refine our learners experiences and educating them in fun and engaging ways about the serious topic that is the climate emergency. We also took on our first cohort of young people who took part in the year long 'Outdoor Learning and Youth Development Programme' with modules such as bushcraft, learning safe knife skills, orienteering and a whole host of adventure activities across the North West.

A significant project that we delivered over the year was our educational and sports initiative working with local schools and vulnerable young people. The innovative and exciting pilot is something we are keen on expanding on in the coming period and for it to become one of our core activities. We are also delighted at the response to our community gym with our 'Couch to Gym' programme targeting the most physically inactive and friendly instructor led sessions having a transformative impact in the lives of many local people.

Our Wrestling Club continues to grow with weekly classes and regular interclubs with clubs from Accrington and Bury as part of our alliance and many of our members are now competing at national level competitions.

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THE DOWAGER COUNTESS
ELEANOR PEEL TRUST



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FOUNDATION



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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2025
FOR
NATURE WARRIORS**

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Use of volunteers

Volunteers are an important resource in our work and are involved in most of our community activities. We encourage all members of our community to be involved in voluntary activities to share their skills with others. All volunteers working with projects involving children or elderly people are CRB checked or vetted with verified professional references provided for each.

**NATURE WARRIORS
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2025**

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The charity's trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Naveela Rashid

Dated: 16 March 2026

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
NATURE WARRIORS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2025**

I report on the accounts FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2025 set out on page five.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

The appointed independent examiner of the trust:

AWS
Chartered Certified Accountants
The Mosses Community Services
Cecil Street, Bury
BL9 0SB

Dated: 16 March 2026

NATURE WARRIORS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2025

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2025 £	2024 £
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Incoming resources from generated funds				
Voluntary income	22,593	108,785	131,377	141,868
Interest	59			23
Total incoming resources	22,651	108,785	131,377	141,891
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Expenditure on:				
Bank Charges	-		-	246
Charitable activities	8,151	105,260	113,411	68,245
Total resources expended	8,151	105,260	113,411	68,491
NET INCOMING/(EXPENDED) RESOURCES	14,501	3,525	17,967	73,400
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward	100,645	-	100,645	27,245
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	115,146	3,525	118,671	100,645

NATURE WARRIORS
BALANCE SHEET
31 May 2024

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank		118,671	100,645
		<u>118,671</u>	<u>100,645</u>
CREDITORS			
Amount falling due with in one year		-	-
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>118,671</u>	<u>100,645</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		118,671	100,645
NET ASSETS		<u><u>118,671</u></u>	<u><u>100,645</u></u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds		115,146	21,673
Restricted funds		3,525	78,972
TOTAL FUNDS		<u><u>118,671</u></u>	<u><u>100,645</u></u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees and were signed on its behalf by:

Naveela Rashid

Dated: 16 March 2026

NATURE WARRIORS

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2025

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice:

Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

Turnover

Income from charitable activities and voluntary donations are included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when received. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

Resources expended

Expenditure is included in the accounts on an accruals basis.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

2 INCOMING RESOURCES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Unrestricted Donation	22,593	16,026
Restricted Donation	108,785	125,842
Interest	59	23
	<u>131,436</u>	<u>141,891</u>

3 RESOURCES EXPENDED

	2025	2024
	£	£
Unrestricted Expenditures	8,151	21,375
Restricted Expenditures	105,260	46,870
Bank Charges	-	246
	<u>113,411</u>	<u>68,491</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2025

4 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	Net Movement		
	01/06/24	in funds	2025
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds	6,519	14,501	21,020
Restricted funds	124,932	3,525	128,457
TOTAL FUNDS	131,451	18,025	149,476

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming Resources	Resources expended	Movement In Funds
Unrestricted funds			
Unrestricted funds	22,651	8,151	14,501
Restricted funds	108,785	105,260	3,525
TOTAL FUNDS	131,436	113,411	18,025

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Annual Update



At Nature Warriors we encourage people to become more active. We have a particular interest in areas relating to the environment, nature, outdoor learning as well as physical wellbeing.

We work with everyone in the community giving as many people as possible the opportunity to stay active in a post-covid world which is dominated by device-driven entertainment.

Nature Warriors aims to provide a real alternative with its strong focus on the outdoors and natural spaces.



ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

During the financial year ending May 2024, we continued our weekly physical wellbeing sessions with freestyle wrestling delivery. We see those sessions as more than simply a wrestling club and this has allowed us to take the members of various trips throughout the year including climbing etc. Our fitness classes extended beyond young people with delivery for adults and the elderly. We were able to run an inspiring programme aimed at Refugees and Asylum Seekers using the medium of the martial arts and education as the delivery method.

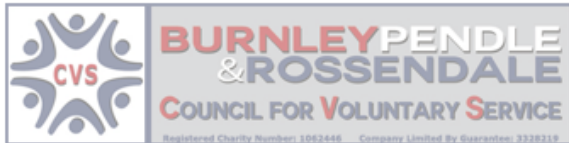
We also ran a very successful public speaking course as part of our youth development initiative to develop leaders for our wrestling club. Working in partnership with Young Leaders Academy we delivered an 8 week programme which included a final performance in front of the public and with three local councillors on the judges panel.

We continued to deliver our 'Custodians of the Earth' carbon footprint reduction programme aimed at educating young people about the climate emergency in a fun and engaging manner. The programme ended with a residential at Whitehough Education Centre. We also ran a year long of bushcraft activities and were able to upskill two volunteers into qualified outdoor leaders. This will help the charity to deliver services in house in the future.

Our community horse riding sessions continued with sessions for women in this financial year following a successful project with older BAME males the previous year.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2024

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INCOMING RESOURCES				
Incoming resources from generated funds				
Voluntary income	16,026	125,842	141,868	58,051
Interest	23			
Total incoming resources	16,049	125,842	141,868	58,051
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Expenditure on:				
Bank Charges	246		246	
Charitable activities	21,375	46,870	68,245	47,067
Total resources expended	21,621	46,870	68,491	47,067
NET INCOMING/(EXPENDED) RESOURCES	(5,572)	78,972	73,377	10,984
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward	27,245	-	27,245	16,261
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	21,673	78,972	100,645	27,245

NATURE WARRIORS
BALANCE SHEET
31 May 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank		100,645	27,245
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CREDITORS			
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NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>100,645</u>	<u>27,245</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		100,645	27,245
NET ASSETS		<u><u>100,645</u></u>	<u><u>27,245</u></u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds		21,673	13,682
Restricted funds		78,972	13,563
TOTAL FUNDS		<u><u>100,645</u></u>	<u><u>27,245</u></u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees and were signed on its behalf by:

Naveela Rashid

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These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice:

Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

Turnover

Income from charitable activities and voluntary donations are included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when received. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

Resources expended

Expenditure is included in the accounts on an accruals basis.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

2 INCOMING RESOURCES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Unrestricted Donation	16,026	12,091
Restricted Donation	125,842	45,960
Interest	23	-
	<u>141,891</u>	<u>58,051</u>

3 RESOURCES EXPENDED

	2024	2023
	£	£
Unrestricted Expenditures	21,375	14,670
Restricted Expenditures	46,870	32,397
Bank Charges	246	-
	<u>68,491</u>	<u>47,067</u>

NATURE WARRIORS

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2024

4 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	Net Movement		
	01/06/23	in funds	2024
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds	12,091	- 5,572	6,519
Restricted funds	45,960	78,972	124,932
TOTAL FUNDS	58,051	73,400	131,451

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming Resources	Resources expended	Movement In Funds
Unrestricted funds			
Unrestricted funds	16,049	21,621	- 5,572
Restricted funds	125,842	46,870	78,972
TOTAL FUNDS	141,891	68,491	73,400