

Hakeford Woods

Charity No. 1203076

Trustees' Report and Unaudited Accounts

30 June 2025

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The trustees present their report with the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2025.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity No. 1203076

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Trustees

The following trustees served during the year:

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The purpose of the charity as set out in its governing document is to advance education and training, for children/ young people, people with disabilities, disadvantaged members of the community and the general public in Northern Devon and the wider South West of England.

The charity operates a Forest School based in the Hakeford Woods near Barnstaple. We run ongoing programmes for students who are Home Educated, groups from local schools, community groups and individuals. Activities and programmes can be organised for all ages and abilities.

The charity runs Forest School sessions for young children which include interactive storytelling, games, songs, learning knots, pond dipping, and identifying woodland plants and animals.

Forest School sessions for juniors include den building, knot tying, rope work, campfire building and cooking, nature identification, and exploring forest trails.

Sessions for older children involve building advanced shelters using traditional construction methods, advanced firelighting and campfire cooking, nature identification and ecological surveys, and nature conservation.

The charity provides holiday clubs for local children which offer them the opportunity to explore and play in the forest camp.

The charity offers Wellbeing in Nature sessions for people who have experienced mental or emotional difficulties, feel isolated from others in the local community or feel that they would benefit from guided reflection and relaxation time in nature. These sessions include walking in the woods, helping to provide a communal meal, assisting with woodland management tasks, working on projects, and learning new crafts.

The people who benefit from the charity's activities are any children enrolled on its forest school programmes, or school holiday programme, as well as adult participants in the Wellbeing in Nature programme. These activities provide educational opportunities and support for those with mental health problems.

As Trustees of the charity we have given due consideration to the Charity Commission's published guidance on the Public Benefit requirement under the Charities Act 2011.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

During the year under review, the charity has run a variety of forest school sessions for different age groups of children. We have also been able to operate a school holiday programme and weekly Wellbeing in Nature sessions.

The Trustees consider the charity's performance to be satisfactory.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The charity made a surplus for the year of £20,867 (2024 - £167,583). The current year surplus is more reflective of the charity's operational activities and grants received for Wellbeing in Nature. The prior year was inflated by the one-off receipt of donated woodland.

The charity's policy is to keep three months of core operating costs in free reserves. The charity met that target at the reporting date when there was £12,325 of free cash reserves.

The charity has positive cashflows and is able to scale its activities to reflect client demand and numbers. The going concern accounting convention is therefore deemed appropriate.

At the reporting date, £1,874 was transferred from General Funds to the designated fixed asset reserve. This represents the book value of the charity's fixed assets to highlight that this is not part of the free cash reserves.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The charity was previously incorporated as Hakeford Woods Forest School CIC. It converted to a CIO on 16 May 2023 using the Foundation Model Articles.

Under the Foundation Model, the Trustees are the members of the charity and are responsible for selecting and appointing new Trustees as required.

New Trustees are supported in their roles by the existing Trustee board and provided with access to minutes of previous meetings. They are also encouraged to read educational publications such as the Charity Commission's CC3, "The Essential Trustee", so they can understand their role and responsibilities.

Statement of trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of information included on the company's website.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

W.K.C. Rance
Trustee
06 December 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Hakeford Woods for the year ended 30 June 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 can confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of financial statements set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the financial statements give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

James Hellyer MA (Cantab.) BFP FCA

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06 December 2025

Hakeford Woods
Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 30 June 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	3	6,233	25,000	31,233	178,191
Charitable activities	4	28,961	-	28,961	36,781
Other trading activities	5	-	-	-	167
Total		35,194	25,000	60,194	215,139
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	6	12,178	11,974	24,152	24,674
Other	7	15,177	-	15,177	22,882
Total		27,355	11,974	39,329	47,556
Net gains on investments		-	-	-	-
Net income	8	7,839	13,026	20,865	167,583
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net income before other gains/(losses)		7,839	13,026	20,865	167,583
Other gains and losses					
Net movement in funds		7,839	13,026	20,865	167,583
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		182,390	3,474	185,864	18,281
Total funds carried forward		190,229	16,500	206,729	185,864

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Balance Sheet

at 30 June 2025

Charity No. 1203076

		2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	10	177,824	176,030
		<u>177,824</u>	<u>176,030</u>
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		29,657	10,553
		<u>29,657</u>	<u>10,553</u>
Creditors: Amount falling due within one year	11	(752)	(719)
Net current assets		<u>28,905</u>	<u>9,834</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>206,729</u>	<u>185,864</u>
Net assets excluding pension asset or liability		<u>206,729</u>	<u>185,864</u>
Total net assets		<u><u>206,729</u></u>	<u><u>185,864</u></u>
The funds of the charity			
Restricted funds	12		
Restricted income funds		16,500	3,474
		<u>16,500</u>	<u>3,474</u>
Unrestricted funds	12		
General funds		12,325	6,360
Designated funds		177,904	176,030
		<u>190,229</u>	<u>182,390</u>
Reserves	12		
Total funds		<u><u>206,729</u></u>	<u><u>185,864</u></u>

Approved by the trustees on 06 December 2025

And signed on their behalf by:

W.K.C. Rance

Trustee

06 December 2025

for the year ended 30 June 2025

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Change in basis of accounting or to previous accounts

There has been no change to the accounting policies (valuation rules and method of accounting) since last year and no changes have been made to accounts for previous years.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds	These are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objects of the charity.
Designated funds	These are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes.
Revaluation funds	These are unrestricted funds which include a revaluation reserve representing the restatement of investment assets at their market values.
Restricted funds	These are available for use subject to restrictions imposed by the donor or through terms of an appeal.

Income

Recognition of income	Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity becomes entitled to, and virtually certain to receive, the income and the amount of the income can be measured with sufficient reliability.
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Income with related expenditure	Where income has related expenditure the income and related expenditure is reported gross in the SoFA.
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Donations and legacies	Voluntary income received by way of grants, donations and gifts is included in the the SoFA when receivable and only when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the income.
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Tax reclaims on donations and gifts	Income from tax reclaims is included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift/donation to which it relates.
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Donated services and facilities	These are only included in income (with an equivalent amount in expenditure) where the benefit to the Charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material.
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Volunteer help	The value of any volunteer help received is not included in the accounts.
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Investment income	This is included in the accounts when receivable.
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Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets	This includes any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.
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Gains/(losses) on investment assets	This includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments.
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Expenditure

Recognition of expenditure	Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.
Expenditure on raising funds	These comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income, fundraising trading costs and investment management costs.
Expenditure on charitable activities	These comprise the costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services in the furtherance of its objects, including the making of grants and governance costs.
Grants payable	All grant expenditure is accounted for on an actual paid basis plus an accrual for grants that have been approved by the trustees at the end of the year but not yet paid.
Governance costs	These include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the Charity, including any audit/independent examination fees, costs linked to the strategic management of the Charity, together with a share of other administration costs.
Other expenditure	These are support costs not allocated to a particular activity.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:

Freehold property	2% straight-line
Plant and machinery	20% reducing balance

Freehold land is not depreciated.

Trade and other debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and on hand, demand deposits with banks and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less and bank overdrafts. In the statement of financial position, bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings or current liabilities. In the Statement of Cash Flows, cash and cash equivalents are shown net of bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the company's cash management.

Trade and other creditors

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Research and development

Expenditure on research and development is written off in the year in which it is incurred.

Receipt of donated goods, facilities and services

All donated goods, facilities and services received are recognised within incoming resources and expenditure at an estimate of the value to the charity.

2 Statement of Financial Activities - prior year

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Income and endowments from:			
Donations and legacies	175,191	3,000	178,191
Charitable activities	36,781	-	36,781
Other trading activities	167	-	167
Total	<u>212,139</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>215,139</u>
Expenditure on:			
Charitable activities	5,174	19,500	24,674
Other	22,882	-	22,882
Total	<u>28,056</u>	<u>19,500</u>	<u>47,556</u>
Net income	<u>184,083</u>	<u>(16,500)</u>	<u>167,583</u>
Net income before other gains/(losses)	184,083	(16,500)	167,583
Other gains and losses:			
Net movement in funds	<u>184,083</u>	<u>(16,500)</u>	<u>167,583</u>
Reconciliation of funds:			
Total funds brought forward	(1,693)	19,974	18,281
Total funds carried forward	<u>182,390</u>	<u>3,474</u>	<u>185,864</u>

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Grants receivable	5,676	25,000	30,676	3,000
Donations	557	-	557	175,191
	<u>6,233</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>31,233</u>	<u>178,191</u>

4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Provision of courses	28,961	28,961	36,781
	<u>28,961</u>	<u>28,961</u>	<u>36,781</u>

5 Income from other trading activities

	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Sale of surplus goods	-	167
	<u>-</u>	<u>167</u>

6 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
<i>Expenditure on charitable activities</i>				
Provision of courses	12,178	11,974	24,152	24,674
<i>Governance costs</i>				
	<u>12,178</u>	<u>11,974</u>	<u>24,152</u>	<u>24,674</u>

7 Other expenditure

	Unrestricted £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Employee costs	12,227	12,227	17,816
Amortisation, depreciation, impairment, profit/loss on disposal of fixed assets	206	206	257
General administrative costs	1,622	1,622	2,747
Legal and professional costs	1,122	1,122	2,062
	<u>15,177</u>	<u>15,177</u>	<u>22,882</u>

8 Net income before transfers

	2025 £	2024 £
This is stated after charging:		
Depreciation of owned fixed assets	206	257
Independent Examiner's fee	755	720

9 Staff costs

	2025	2024
Salaries and wages	12,227	17,816
	<u>12,227</u>	<u>17,816</u>

No employee received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

Total employee benefits received by key management personnel	12,227	17,816
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The average monthly number of full time equivalent employees during the year was as follows:

	2025 Number	2024 Number
Management and operations	1	1
	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

10 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Plant and machinery £	Total £
Cost or revaluation			
At 1 July 2024	175,000	3,832	178,832
Additions	2,000	-	2,000
At 30 June 2025	<u>177,000</u>	<u>3,832</u>	<u>180,832</u>
Depreciation and impairment			
At 1 July 2024	-	2,802	2,802
Depreciation charge for the year	-	206	206
At 30 June 2025	<u>-</u>	<u>3,008</u>	<u>3,008</u>
Net book values			
At 30 June 2025	<u>177,000</u>	<u>824</u>	<u>177,824</u>
At 30 June 2024	<u>175,000</u>	<u>1,030</u>	<u>176,030</u>

11 Creditors:

amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Accruals	752	719
	<u>752</u>	<u>719</u>

12 Movement in funds

	At 1 July 2024	Incoming resources (including other gains/losses) £	Resources expended £	Gross transfers £	At 30 June 2025 £
Restricted funds:					
Restricted income funds:					
Wellbeing in Nature	3,474	25,000	(11,974)	-	16,500
<i>Total</i>	<u>3,474</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>(11,974)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,500</u>
Unrestricted funds:					
General funds	6,360	35,194	(27,355)	(1,874)	12,325
Designated funds:					
Fixed asset reserve	176,030	-	-	1,874	177,904
<i>Total</i>	<u>176,030</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,874</u>	<u>177,904</u>
Total funds	<u><u>185,864</u></u>	<u><u>60,194</u></u>	<u><u>(39,329)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>206,729</u></u>

Purposes and restrictions in relation to the funds:

Restricted funds:

Wellbeing in Nature This fund finances sessions for adult clients who have experienced mental or emotional difficulties, feel isolated from others in the local community or feel that they would benefit from guided reflection and relaxation time in nature.

Designated funds:

Fixed asset reserve This represents the net book value of the fixed assets owned by the charity.

13 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Fixed assets	177,824	-	177,824
Net current assets	12,405	16,500	28,905
	<u>190,229</u>	<u>16,500</u>	<u>206,729</u>

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 30 June 2025

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Income and endowments from:				
Donations and legacies				
Grants receivable	5,676	25,000	30,676	3,000
Donations	557	-	557	175,191
	<u>6,233</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>31,233</u>	<u>178,191</u>
Charitable activities				
Provision of courses	28,961	-	28,961	36,781
	<u>28,961</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,961</u>	<u>36,781</u>
Other trading activities				
Sale of surplus goods	-	-	-	167
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>167</u>
Total income and endowments	35,194	25,000	60,194	215,139
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities				
Provision of courses	12,178	11,974	24,152	24,674
	<u>12,178</u>	<u>11,974</u>	<u>24,152</u>	<u>24,674</u>
Total of expenditure on charitable activities	12,178	11,974	24,152	24,674
Employee costs				
Salaries/wages	12,227	-	12,227	17,816
	<u>12,227</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,227</u>	<u>17,816</u>
General administrative costs, including depreciation and amortisation				
Depreciation of Plant and machinery	206	-	206	257
Equipment expensed	338	-	338	1,721
General insurances	784	-	784	784
Software, IT support and related costs	438	-	438	174
Sundry expenses	62	-	62	68
	<u>1,828</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,828</u>	<u>3,004</u>
Legal and professional costs				
Audit/Independent examination fees	755	-	755	720
Solicitor's fees	-	-	-	1,190
Other legal and professional costs	367	-	367	152
	<u>1,122</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,122</u>	<u>2,062</u>

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Total of expenditure of other costs	15,177	-	15,177	22,882
Total expenditure	27,355	11,974	39,329	47,556
Net gains on investments	-	-	-	-
Net income	7,839	13,026	20,865	167,583
Net income before other gains/(losses)	7,839	13,026	20,865	167,583
Other Gains	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	7,839	13,026	20,865	167,583
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward	182,390	3,474	185,864	18,281
Total funds carried forward	190,229	16,500	206,729	185,864