

Trustees' Report

Tenterden Wildlife

For the period 23 May 2023 to 5 April 2024

The Trustees present their report with the financial statements for the period ended 5 April 2024.

Structure, governance and management

Tenterden Wildlife is constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, CIO, with the Charity Commission on 23 May 2023 under charity number 1203202. The charity is governed by a deed of trust.

The charity Trustees are responsible for the general control and management of the charity. The Trustees give their time freely and have regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Objectives and activities

In our first period as a CIO, Tenterden Wildlife's charitable objectives are to promote the conservation of the physical and natural environment in Tenterden and the surrounding areas.

Our mission is to turn the tide for nature by educating young people, inspiring action and delivering nature recovery projects.

Achievements and Performance

Part of our funds this period have been used to support our objective to bring schools closer to nature. During the period we have brought wildlife learning to six local schools. We have given over 200 pieces of wildlife equipment to local schools, including bird nest boxes and cameras, hedgehog refuges, bug and insect hotels, bat boxes and wildlife ID charts. We have also provided enriching educational experiences and resources to nearly 800 local school children.

In addition to our support of schools, we have worked with Kent County Council (KCC), Ashford Borough Council, Tenterden Town Council, the Bumblebee Conservation Trust (BBCT) and our team of local volunteers to introduce wildflower lawns, verges, beds and planters to the parish in support of KCC/BBCT's Pollinator Action Plan. Other projects have included work with the Kent & East Sussex Railway to help fund, survey and promote their 10 ½ mile 'wildlife corridor' from Tenterden to Bodiam – also, ongoing activities to increase the biodiversity of our local golf courses, community spaces, farms and developments.

An achievement this year is that Tenterden has received Kent Wildlife Trust's highest Gold Award in its Wilder Villages & Towns category, to recognise all our work for the protection and conservation of local wildlife.

Financial Review

Income for the period totalled £18,486. Income was raised through local charity events, donations, and grants through the Sussex Lund Fund and other investors.

Resources expended totalled £7,061. This included significant legal and professional costs, needed to set up our charity.

Our total funds carried forward are £11,425 which will be used for further environmental projects.

The Trustees have reviewed the reserves of the charity. Our policy is to hold enough funds to meet six months' operating costs.

Our main source of income is grants and donations.

Volunteers

The charity acknowledges the great contribution of its volunteers to the charity's work. Our charity holds monthly meetings with volunteers. Volunteers contributed many hours of their time across a range of our projects, including organising and running a 'Gardening for Wildlife' event. As Trustees we would like to express our sincere gratitude for the commitment shown by all volunteers.

Risk Management

The Trustees believe the charity is a going concern and have considered the risks facing the charity.

Statement of Trustee's responsibilities

The charity Trustees are responsible for preparing an annual report and 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 charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each 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 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 responsible and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity to enable them to ensure that the financial statement comply with the Charities Act 1993, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for the safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

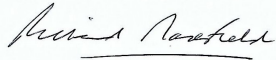
The Trustees for the purposes of charity law who served during this period are:

- Richard Masefield, Chair of Trustees
- Bonnie Ellis-Sargeant, Secretary
- Siggie Nepp
- Holly Wright, Treasurer

Approval of Report

Approved by the trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Richard Masefield, Chair of Trustees



16.09.2024



Tenterden Wildlife
Charity Number: 1203202

Financial Statements for the period 23 May 2023 to 5 April 2024

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Accounts for the period 23 May 2023 to 5 April 2024

Statement of financial activities**First period Accounts**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £
Incoming resources	3				
Donations and legacies		9,157	-	-	9,157
Charitable activities		-	9,329	-	9,329
Other trading activities		-	-	-	-
Investments		-	-	-	-
Other		-	-	-	-
Total		9,157	9,329	-	18,486
Resources expended	4				
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds		1,254	-	-	1,254
Charitable activities		5,660	147	-	5,807
Separate material item of expense		-	-	-	-
Other		-	-	-	-
Total		6,914	147	-	7,061
Net income/(expenditure) before investment gains/(losses)		2,243	9,182	-	11,425
Net gains/(losses) on investments		-	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure)		2,243	9,182	-	11,425
Extraordinary items		-	-	-	-
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains/(losses)					
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use		-	-	-	-
Other gains/(losses)		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		2,243	9,182	-	11,425
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		-	-	-	-
Total funds carried forward		2,243	9,182	-	11,425

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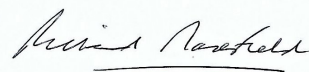
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Balance sheet as at 5 April 2024**First period Accounts**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £
Fixed Assets					
Intangible assets		-	-	-	-
Tangible assets	6	529	-	-	529
Heritage assets		-	-	-	-
Investments		-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets		529	-	-	529
Current Assets					
Stocks		-	-	-	-
Debtors		-	-	-	-
Investments		-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	7	1,964	9,182	-	11,146
Total current assets		1,964	9,182	-	11,146
Liabilities					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	8	250	-	-	250
Net current assets or liabilities		1,714	9,182	-	10,896
Total assets less current liabilities		2,243	9,182	-	11,425
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year		-	-	-	-
Provision for liabilities		-	-	-	-
Total net assets or liabilities		2,243	9,182	-	11,425
The funds of the Charity					
Endowment funds		-	-	-	-
Restricted income funds		-	9,182	-	9,182
Unrestricted funds		2,243	-	-	2,243
Revaluation reserve		-	-	-	-
Total unrestricted funds		2,243	9,182	-	11,425
Total charity funds		2,243	9,182	-	11,425

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

Signature



Print Name

Richard Masfield

Date

16.09.2024

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Accounts for the period 23 May 2023 to 5 April 2024

Notes to the financial statements

1 Accounting policies

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis.

(b) Funds Structure

Unrestricted income funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor.

(c) Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources, it is certain that the resources will be received and the monetary value of the incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability.

(d) Resources Expended

Liabilities are recognised as resources expended as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

(e) Costs of raising funds

Costs of raising funds are those costs incurred in attracting voluntary income, or incurred in trading activities undertaken to raise funds.

(f) Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries.

(g) Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

All assets costing more than £200 are capitalised and at historic cost. Fixed Assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is charged on Equipment which is written off on a straight line basis over their estimated useful lives:

Asset Category	Annual rate
Equipment	25%

2 Related party transactions and trustees' remuneration

Trustees received no emoluments during the first period of accounts.

3 Incoming resources

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Incoming resources				
Donations and legacies	9,157	-	-	9,157

Charitable activities	-	9,329	-	9,329
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-
Investments	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-
Total	9,157	9,329	-	18,486

Charitable Donations

During the period the charity received a donation from The Brissenden Trust.

Grants

The charity received over £3,000 from the Sussex Lund Fund.

The charity received over £6,000 from a private investor.

The charity received a £1,000 grant from Ashford Borough Council.

4 Resources Expended

Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	1,254	-	-	1,254
Charitable activities	5,660	147	-	5,807
Total	6,914	147	-	7,061
Raising funds				
Sundries	638	-	-	638
Rent & Rates	336	-	-	336
Printing, Postage & Stationery	280	-	-	280
Total	1,254	-	-	1,254
Charitable Activities				
Legal & professional	3,850	-	-	3,850
Website & Social Media	1400	-	-	1400
Wildlife education	368	-	-	368
Wildlife protection	42	-	-	42
Wildlife project costs	-	147	-	147
Total	5,660	147	-	5,807

5 Going Concern

The charity has reviewed its financial position and prospects for the foreseeable future and concludes that it has adequate resources to continue operations for the next 12 months.

6 Fixed Assets

	Plant & Equipment £	Total £
Cost		
As at 23 May 2023	-	-
Additions	705	705
Disposals	-	-

At 5 April 2024	705	705
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Depreciation

As at 23 May 2023	-	-
Charge for the year	176	176
Disposals	-	-
At 5 April 2024	176	176

Net Book Value

At 5 April 2024	529	529
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7 Cash at Bank and in Hand

Cash at bank and in hand is held to meet short term cash commitments as they fall due and includes all cash equivalents held in the form of short term highly liquid investments.

8 Analysis of Creditors

2024 £

Creditors under 1 year

Accountancy fee accrual	250
	250