



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From		Period start date			To	Period end date		
		Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
		1	April	2024		31	March	2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Nature and Community

Other names charity is known by

none

Registered charity number (if any)

1203361

Charity's principal address

Acacia Cottage, Midway

Chalford Hill

Stroud

Postcode GL6 8EN

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	Toby Ford	Chair		
2	Emma Hutchins			
3	Tim Woodfine	Treasurer		
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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)

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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)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by Trustees

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.

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Section C Objectives and activities

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

1. The preservation, conservation and the protection of the environment and the prudent use of resources for the public benefit, by;
 - a) The provision of equipment or materials to support activities which help to restore degraded ecosystems, recover biodiversity, or promote sustainable use of natural resources;
 - b) the promotion of sustainable means of achieving economic growth and regeneration;

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)

<p>c) making grants to organisations furthering similar preservation and conservation purposes.</p> <p>2. To advance the education of the public in subjects relating to sustainable development and the protection, enhancement, and rehabilitation of the environment and,</p> <p>3. To promote study and research in such subjects, providing the public with skills and knowledge to partake in sustainable development. Sustainable development means “development which meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.”</p>
<p>For context, Nature and Community is a new, small charity registered on 1st June 2023 and therefore the year ending 31st March 2025 represented only the first full financial year of operation. Trustees read and took into account Charity Commission guidance on public benefit when forming the charity and when considering its work and activities.</p> <p>During this period, the charity undertook small-scale habitat creation and restoration work, including removal of overgrown vegetation, opening areas of bare ground and sowing British native wildflower seeds for a school nature area in Gloucestershire. Further work was undertaken by Trustees to monitor the establishment of previously planted British native trees, help maintain a woodland outdoor learning area used by local school children, and to collate local biodiversity data to inform conservation planning and decision-making across the Parish.</p> <p>The charity provided a small grant to a community enterprise, in the rural village of Kelle in the Zinder region of Niger, to buy a press for the sustainable extraction of oil from the seeds of the <i>Balanites aegyptiaca</i> tree. The community seeks to conserve these important trees that provide habitat for wildlife as well as shade and forage for livestock, while generating additional income for people.</p>

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

During 2024-25 we:

- Raised £1,610 meeting the modest expectations of Trustees during the first full year of the Charity's existence.
- Undertook habitat creation and restoration work across a hectare of previously species poor amenity grassland in Gloucestershire.
- Sowed seeds of over 50 species of British native wildflowers.
- Monitored establishment of over 400 previously planted British native trees.
- Collated data on the biodiversity of Chalford Parish in Gloucestershire, UK.
- Helped with the maintenance of a woodland outdoor learning facility used by 180 primary school children.
- Provided a grant for a community sustainability enterprise in rural Niger for the purchase of a press for the extraction of oil from the seeds of *Balanites aegyptiaca* trees.

Relying entirely on the time of Trustees and modest financial resources, these outcomes were in line with the Charity's expectations for 2024-25.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Trustees have a reserves policy as a contingency against unforeseen or unexpected needs. As a new, small charity with no fixed overheads, Trustees agreed to retain a nominal amount of £500 for this purpose, which we believe is a reasonable and proportional sum at this stage. In addition, Trustees agreed to set aside £1,250 for planned commitments that may not be met through future income alone, and with the expectation that these funds would be expended in the following financial year.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

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


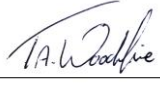
Other optional information

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)	Toby Ford	Tim Woodfine
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	06/01/2026	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Nature and Community

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Receipts and payments accounts


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For the period from	Period start date 1st April 2024	To	Period end date 31st March 2025
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	1,610	-	-	1,610	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	1,610	-	-	1,610	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	1,610	-	-	1,610	-
A3 Payments					
Charitable activities	2,872	-	-	2,872	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,872	-	-	2,872	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	2,872	-	-	2,872	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,262	-	-	- 1,262	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	2,520	-	-	2,520	-
Cash funds this year end	1,258	-	-	1,258	-

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	Cash at Bank	1,758	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	1,758	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
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			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		T. Woodfine	06/01/26	