

ALL WHEEL DRIVE RESPONSE NORTH EAST

England & Wales · Charity number 1204037

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2023-07-20

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

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Activities

Objects: TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT HUMAN LIFE AND PROPERTY, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY, BY SUPPLEMENTING AND SUPPORTING EMERGENCY SERVICES, STATUTORY BODIES, AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS AS DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE TRUSTEES, BY PROVIDING EQUIPMENT, VEHICLES AND OTHER RESOURCES TO OFFER SUPPORT IN ADVERSE CONDITIONS.

Activities: AWD Response North East is a Charitable organisation that provides emergency services during extreme weather conditions. They are dedicated to helping people who are stranded, delivering food and water to remote areas, and assisting with road closures. Their service is free, and they prioritize those who are in the greatest need of assistance.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Durham
- Gateshead
- Hartlepool
- Newcastle Upon Tyne City
- North Tyneside
- Northumberland
- Redcar And Cleveland
- South Tyneside
- Sunderland

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-06	£416	£388	-	-
2024-04-06	£393	£294	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
John Walker	Chair	2023-07-19
Dominic Stockdale		2025-05-08
Stephen Thomas		2025-12-30

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AWDRNE Trustees' Annual Report

Reporting Period: 7 April 2024 – 6 April 2025

1. Objectives and Activities

All Wheel Drive Response North East (AWDRNE) is a volunteer-led charity providing emergency logistics support, First Aid awareness training, and event resilience services across the North East. Our aim is to improve community preparedness, access to basic lifesaving skills, and coordination during severe weather, local disruptions, or public events.

In 2024–2025, our core activities included:

- Delivering free First Aid Awareness sessions for parents, carers, students, and volunteers
- Providing First Aid cover at public events and community shows
- Supporting severe weather and community resilience projects
- Promoting inclusive volunteering and awareness in underserved communities

2. Public Benefit

We have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. All our activities are open to the general public and delivered free of charge. We prioritise areas with limited access to formal training, and work with community partners to reduce barriers to participation.

3. Achievements and Performance

- 25+ public sessions and events supported across Northumberland, North Tyneside, and County Durham
- Baby & Young Child First Aid, Emergency First Aid, and Everyday First Aid courses delivered in community venues
- Engagement with CitizensUK, Cedarwood Trust, and local councils to widen outreach
- Launch of the AWDRNE Safeguarding and GDPR e-learning courses for all volunteers
- Increased presence at community stalls and markets for PR, recruitment, and fundraising
- Partnership discussions begun with South Tynedale Railway and other rural networks

4. Financial Review

AWDRNE maintained a stable financial position throughout the year. Income of £415.71 was generated through donations, SUMUP payments, and supporter contributions. Key expenditures included insurance, room hire, printing, and training supplies.

We operated with a small surplus of £28.17 and closed the year with a bank balance of £111.62.

5. Reserves Policy

The trustees aim to maintain a minimum reserve equal to one quarter of annual operating costs to cover core expenses such as insurance and essential equipment. This target has been met for the current year.

6. Structure, Governance, and Management

AWDRNE is a registered charity governed by its constitution and managed by a board of trustees. All activities are carried out by unpaid volunteers. Training and safeguarding compliance is maintained via internal systems and recognised e-learning courses.

As of 6 April 2025, our trustees are:

- John Walker
- Joanne Walker
- Stephen Thomas

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Receipts and Payments Accounts

For the financial year: 7 April 2024 – 6 April 2025

1. Receipts

Total Income: £415.71

2. Payments

Total Expenditure: £387.54

3. Financial Position

Surplus for the year: £28.17

Closing bank balance as at 6 April 2025: £111.62

4. Trustee Declaration

The trustees declare that these accounts are a true and accurate summary of the charity's receipts and payments for the financial year ended 6 April 2025.

Signed on behalf of the trustees:

John Walker – Trustee

Joanne Walker – Trustee

Stephen Thomas – Trustee

Date:

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Trustees' Annual Report

All Wheel Drive Response North East (AWDRNE)

Charity Number: 1204037

Reporting Period: 20 July 2023 – 6 April 2024

1. Reference and Administrative Details

- Charity Name: All Wheel Drive Response North East (AWDRNE)
- Charity Number: 1204037
- Registered Address: 14 Beverley Villas, North Shields, Tyne And Wear, NE30 3EB

Trustees who served during this reporting period:

- John Walker – Chair (appointed 19 July 2023)
- Stephen James Thomas – Trustee (appointed 19 July 2023)
- Joanne Ferrey/Walker – Trustee (appointed 19 July 2023)

2. Structure, Governance, and Management

AWDRNE was established as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) on 20 July 2023.

The charity is governed by its Constitution and led by a Board of Trustees responsible for strategic oversight, compliance, safeguarding, and managing public trust.

Trustees served voluntarily with no remuneration. New trustees received induction and access to key governance policies during this period.

3. Objectives and Activities

The charity's objectives during this period were:

- To provide emergency logistical support using volunteer 4x4 drivers in bad weather and local incidents
- To deliver free First Aid Awareness sessions for community members, carers, and the public
- To support small-scale event first aid cover where appropriate
- To promote public preparedness, resilience, and community response capacity

AWDRNE's activities were focused on start-up setup, training material development, volunteer recruitment, and early-stage public engagement.

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4. Achievements and Performance

(20 July 2023 – 6 April 2024 only)

First Aid Awareness – Development and Early Delivery

- Developed Baby & Young Children First Aid and Everyday First Aid Awareness materials
- Created accessible content: PowerPoints, handouts, posters, feedback forms
- Held one successful pilot Baby First Aid session in early 2024
- Created Microsoft Forms system for session registration and attendance

Volunteer & Logistics Preparation

- Built volunteer database and created application/joining process
- Designed role outlines and DBS-free awareness roles
- Provided informal logistics support planning for events in 2024

Governance & Policy Setup

- Established charity's core governance framework
- Drafted key policies: Safeguarding, GDPR, Volunteer Code of Conduct
- Began development of e-learning materials for Safeguarding and GDPR (to be finalised post-period)

Promotion and Engagement

- Created branded materials: logos, social posts, QR code flyers
- Ran early recruitment efforts via Facebook and printed cards
- Attended 1–2 public events for visibility and networking

5. Financial Review

(Covering 20 July 2023 – 6 April 2024)

- Income from stalls, fundraising, and early donations
- No salaries or trustee payments
- Cash float maintained at approx. £65
- £35/month sponsorship for defibrillator confirmed

Insurance:

Public liability and first aid activity cover was secured.

AWDRNE operated with no loans or debts during the reporting period.

Gift Aid registration was not completed during this period but was explored.

All funds were used solely for charitable purposes aligned with the mission.

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6. Plans for the Future

(not part of this financial year but included as forward planning)

- Deliver expanded public First Aid Awareness sessions in 2024–25
- Launch safeguarding and GDPR e-learning for all volunteers
- Offer First Aid Cover at community events
- Grow and support the volunteer team
- Finalise and distribute volunteer resource packs
- Complete first-year Gift Aid submission and strengthen financial tools

7. Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved this report and confirm that it complies with the Charities Act 2011 and applicable reporting requirements.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Trustees:

Signature:  _____

Name: John Walker

Position: Chair of Trustees

Date: 17/06/25 _____

(Separate attachment: Statement of Accounts – covering 20 July 2023 to 6 April 2024)