

# THE WILLIAM FOWLER WORKING MEN'S ALLOTMENTS

England & Wales · Charity number 203329

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 1962-04-02

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

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** ALLOTMENTS FOR THE LABOURING POOR. SURPLUS INCOME AFTER PAYING FOR UPKEEP OF FENCES, PATHS, ETC. TO BE USED IN SUPPLYING COAL FOR THE POOR OF CHIPPING NORTON. IN SUCH OTHER MANNER FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PARISH OR THE POOR INHABITANTS THEREOF.

**Activities:** Provision of allotments for residents of Chipping Norton.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Environment/conservation/heritage
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** CHIPPING NORTON
- Oxfordshire

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£30,915	£20,694	-	-
2024-03-31	£30,915	£20,694	-	-
2023-03-31	£27,403	£24,958	-	-
2022-03-31	£27,420	£31,413	-	-
2021-03-31	£7,491	£13,546	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
MEMBERS OF CHIPPING NORTON TOWN COUNCIL		

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# Accounts

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THE GUILDHALL, CHIPPING NORTON, OXFORDSHIRE OX7 5NJ  
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Charity number: 203329

## TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT 2024-2025

The charity owns allotments which are rented out to local people. Surplus allotment land is set out as community woodland. Both spaces enable local people to grow their own food and spend time in the natural environment, benefiting physical and mental health. The allotments are popular and have a high level of occupancy. There is a short waiting list, but natural turnover means new plot holders can normally be given a space the same year they apply. The trustees are keen that allotments remain affordable to all and therefore offer a concession to those receiving means tested benefits. Local beekeepers have a small apiary on a previously unused part of the site, increasing biodiversity. The trustees meet regularly with a committee of allotment holders to ensure the site operates appropriately and they have introduced a buddy system to support new plot holders. There is an annual competition to acknowledge the best kept allotments with an additional scarecrow class to encourage creativity.

The trustees are keen to ensure public benefit beyond that given to allotment holders. The local Park Run use the woodland as part of their route and the Green Gym help manage the space, giving them a good location for their activities. There are plans to plant a community orchard which will further increase access to the wider community.

The Charity reserves are due to previous land sale. The site is adjacent to a site allocated for new housing and trustees may need to negotiate with developers who want to build a new road. Trustees are keen that funds are reserved to pay any associated costs and to provide better facilities once the future of the site is more certain.

Further financial information can be found in the accounts.

Sandra Coleman  
Chair

# WILLIAM FOWLER WORKING MENS ALLOT

## Unity Trust Bank Current Account

Description - Bank	Category	Debit	Credit	Balance
NORTON H M	Rents and Key Deposits		£10.00	£7,172.40
R Griffiths	Rents and Key Deposits		£5.00	£7,177.40
DOLINSEK AG	Rents and Key Deposits		£10.00	£7,187.40
MR D E WOOLLEY	Rents and Key Deposits		£5.00	£7,192.40
RACHEL KEENAN	Rents and Key Deposits		£10.00	£7,202.40
WATKINS P	Rents and Key Deposits		£10.00	£7,212.40
Peter Woodward	Rents and Key Deposits		£5.00	£7,217.40
HAYDAY DR + JE	Rents and Key Deposits		£5.00	£7,222.40
E Richardson	Rents and Key Deposits		£10.00	£7,232.40
E Richardson	Rents and Key Deposits		£10.00	£7,242.40
V Bourne	Rents and Key Deposits		£5.00	£7,247.40
BEANEY J	Rents and Key Deposits		£10.00	£7,257.40
TINKHAM A+J ADP	Rents and Key Deposits		£10.00	£7,267.40
SEDGWICK DRBJ	Rents and Key Deposits		£5.00	£7,272.40
Niall Burman	Rents and Key Deposits		£10.00	£7,282.40
E DARBY	Rents and Key Deposits		£5.00	£7,287.40

## WILLIAM FOWLER ALLOTMENT TRUST

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT YEAR TO DATE 31/03/2024

	<b>RECEIPTS to 31/03/2024</b>		<b>PAYMENTS TO 31/03/24</b>		
	<b>2023/2024</b>	<b>2022/2023</b>		<b>2023/2024</b>	<b>2022/2023</b>
Rents and Key deposits	£1,972.00	£2,965.50	Water Rates	(£2,675.31)	(£428.24)
Dividends from investments	£3,871.22	£4,306.48	Administration charges by C.N.T.C. (2023-24	(£8,665.00)	(£5,267.17)
Sale of shares		£20,000.00	NAS membership	(£66.00)	(£66.00)
Interest from COIF Deposit Account	£71.44	£24.67	Audit Fee	(£420.00)	(£390.00)
Bank credit		£50.00	Insurance	(£540.49)	£270.18
Creditors write off 2021-22 (chqs not banked)		£25.00	Prizes for Allotment Competition	(£225.00)	£280.00
Donations	£25,000.00		Expenses for Allotment Competition (Judge)	£0.00	£30.00
			Gardening work	(£2,435.26)	£865.46
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>£30,914.66</b>	<b>£27,371.65</b>	Skip Hire and refuse removal	(£2,205.84)	£2,041.20
			Bank charges	(£72.00)	£72.00
<b>Receipts exceed payments</b>	<b>£10,220.36</b>	<b>£14,715.89</b>	Fencing/Wall	£0.00	£339.31
			Keys, Padlocks	(£220.80)	£45.02
			Allotments maintenance	£0.00	£14,644.30
			Competition trophies	£0.00	£180.00
			Key/Rents refunds	(£30.00)	£35.00
			Miscellaneous	(£138.60)	£4.70
			Arboricultural survey & report (WF Wood) &	(£3,000.00)	
			<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>(£20,694.30)</b>	<b>£12,655.76</b>
			Amount Payments exceed receipts	<b>£10,220.36</b>	<b>(£14,715.89)</b>
			Unity Bank Account	£18,854.17	£13,900.98
			COIF Deposit Account C03047499*	£1,501.74	£1,501.74
			Creditors/Cheques not cleared		£0.00
			<b>Total Cash</b>	<b>£20,355.91</b>	<b>£15,402.72</b>
			<b>COIF Charity Funds</b>		
			ç	£145,189.36	£133,137.97
			Invest. Fund Accumulation C03047450*	£6,889.39	£6,141.79
			<b>Total Charity Funds</b>	<b>£152,078.75</b>	<b>£139,279.76</b>
			<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>£172,434.66</b>	<b>£154,682.48</b>

\* Please note New CCLA Account Numbers:  
C03047499 (formerly 100470001C)  
C03047451 (formerly 100470001T)  
C03047450 (formerly 100470001R)

## CHIPPING NORTON WELFARE CHARITIES - RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR APR 2023

<u>Receipts</u>	<u>April</u>	Repairs / Maintenance	<u>Payments</u>	<u>April</u>
Church Street	£1,031.00		Church Street	£195.00
Horse Fair	£896.00		Horse Fair	£470.10
Park Road	£630.00		Park Road	£175.00
Dickenson Court	£620.00		Dickenson Court	
			Project Management	
			Electricity	Church Street £45.64
Southcombe Rent				Horse Fair £145.66
Grant from Southcombe Charity			Gas (Park Rd/ Horsefair)	
Sibford Gower OS 36			Professional Fees	
Land Rent			Insurance	
			Water Rates Horse Fair	£636.66
Insurance Claim			TV Licence	
C.Tax Refund			Appello Care Line	£90.60
Electricity Refund			Charitable Assistance	£973.00
British Gas Refund			Surveyor's Fees	
			NAA Subs	
COIF Deposit A/C	£390.68		Audit fee	
			Admin Charges	
<u>Investment Income</u>			Bank Charges	£0.00
C&G Plc			Storage Box	Ox/Waste Bin
Dividends COIF			Post Box/ Batteries	
2.5% Stock			Land Registry	
			Contract	£45.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>£3,567.68</b>		<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>£2,776.66</b>
			<b>CASH AND INVESTMENTS</b>	
		<b>Cash</b>	Unity Trust Bank	£70,477.14
			COIF deposit account	£120,518.74
			Total	<b>£190,995.88</b>
		<b>Investments</b>	COIF income	£1,104.34
			COIF income	£1,104.34
			COIF accumulation (investment account)	£33,860.03
			Naa accumulation (M&G)	£11,520.41
			BlackRock	£98,869.62
		<b>Total Funds</b>		<b>£337,454.62</b>

<b>WILLIAM FOWLER WORKING MENS ALLOTMENTS - RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS</b>
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Receipts	3/31/2024	3/31/2023	Payments	3/31/2024	3/31/2023
Bank credit	£0.00	£50.00	Administration charges by C.N.T.C. (Pd 20/4	(£8,665.00)	(£5,267.00)
Cash Repayment of Deposits, 2022 & 2023	£0.00	£25.00	Allotments maintenance	£0.00	(£14,644.00)
COIF Deposit Account	£0.00	£2.00	Arboricultural survey & report (WF Wood)	(£3,000.00)	£0.00
Creditors write off 2021-22 (chqs not banked)	£0.00	£25.00	Audit Fee	(£420.00)	(£390.00)
Dividends from investments	£3,871.22	£4,306.00	Bank charges	(£72.00)	(£72.00)
Donations	£25,000.00	£0.00	Competition trophies	£0.00	(£180.00)
Interest from COIF Deposit Account	£71.44	£25.00	Expenses for Allotment Competition (Judge)	£0.00	(£30.00)
Rents and Key deposits	£1,972.00	£2,970.00	Fencing/Wall	£0.00	(£339.00)
Sale of shares	£0.00	£20,000.00	Gardening work	(£2,435.26)	(£866.00)
			Insurance	(£540.49)	(£270.00)
			Key/Rents refunds	(£30.00)	(£35.00)
			Keys, Padlocks	(£220.80)	(£45.00)
			Miscellaneous	(£138.60)	(£5.00)
			NAS Membership	(£66.00)	(£66.00)
			Prizes for Allotment Competition	(£225.00)	(£280.00)
			Skip Hire and Refuse Removal	(£2,205.84)	(£2,041.00)
			Water Rates	(£2,675.31)	(£428.00)
	<u>£30,914.66</u>	<u>£27,403.00</u>		<u>(£20,694.30)</u>	<u>(£24,958.00)</u>

<b>Cash &amp; Investments</b>
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<b>Cash</b>
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	3/31/2024	3/31/2023
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COIF Deposit Account	£1,501.74	£1,501.74
<b>Total Cash</b>	<u>£20,355.91</u>	<u>£8,984.72</u>

<b>COIF Charity Funds</b>
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	3/31/2024	3/31/2023
Investment Fund Income 100470001T **	£145,189.36	£133,138.00
Investment Fund Accumulation 100470001R	£6,889.39	£6,142.00
<b>Total Investments</b>	<u>£152,078.75</u>	<u>£139,280.00</u>
<b>Total Funds</b>	<u>£172,434.66</u>	<u>£148,264.72</u>

We hereby approve these accounts:

Accounts Approved: <<Insert Date>>

Name: <<Insert Name>>

Position: Trustee

Accounts Approved: <<Insert Date>>

Name: <<Insert Name>>

Position: Financial Officer

## WILLIAM FOWLER WORKING MENS AI

### **Receipts**

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Rents and Key deposits

Dividends from investments

Sale of shares

Interest from COIF Deposit Account

Bank credit

Creditors write off 2021-22 (chqs not banked)

Donations

COIF Deposit Account

Cash Repayment of Deposits, 2022 & 2023

Repairs / Maintenance

**Total Receipts**

	<b><u>CASH AND INVEST</u></b>
<b>Cash</b>	Unity Trust Bank COIF Deposit Account Total Cash
<b>Investments</b>	COIF Income - Alms H COIF Income - Relief i COIF Accumulation (Ir Naa Accumulation (M& Black Rock Total Investments
<b>Total Funds</b>	
<b>Total Payments</b>	

2023-2024

## **ALLOTMENTS - RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS**

### **Payments**

Water Rates

Administration charges by C.N.T.C. (Pd 20/4/23)

NAS Membership

Audit Fee

Insurance

Prizes for Allotment Competition

Expenses for Allotment Competition (Judge)

Gardening work

Skip Hire and Refuse Removal

Bank charges

Fencing/Wall

Keys, Padlocks

Allotments maintenance

Competition trophies

Key/Rents refunds

Miscellaneous

Arboricultural survey & report (WF Wood)

2023-2024

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2023-2024

Unity Bank Account (31/5/23) *see note	£ 7,687.73	£	13,900.98
COIF Deposit Account 100470001C	£ 1,501.74	£	1,501.74
Creditors/Cheques not cleared		£	-
<b>Total Cash</b>	<b>£ 9,189.47</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>15,402.72</b>

***COIF Charity Funds***

Investment Fund Income 100470001T **	£ 133,137.97	£	133,137.97
Investment Fund Accumulation 100470001R **	£ 6,141.79	£	6,141.79
<b>Total Charity Funds</b>	<b>£ 139,279.76</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>139,279.76</b>

<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>£ 148,469.23</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>154,682.48</b>
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## **Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of William Fowler Working Mens Allotments Charity**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the above charity ('the Trust') for the year ended 31 March 2024.

### ***Responsibilities and basis of report***

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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



**Trevor Gill**

The Thatches  
Avon Dassett  
Southam  
Warwickshire  
CV47 2AT

Date: 25 January 2025

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## TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT 1.4.2023– 31.3.2024

The William Fowler Working Men's Allotments Charity provides allotments and open space in the form of woodland for the residents of Chipping Norton.

Allotment gardening is currently very popular due to a desire by local people to grow their own food, enjoy the outdoors, and take healthy exercise and almost all our 164 plots are let, with a small turnover allowing those on the small waiting list to be accommodated quickly. Trustees regularly visit the site to ensure plots are appropriately tended and the site is well cared for. The committee, which includes representatives of both trustees and allotment holders, organises an annual competition with a variety of categories to encourage a sense of community and has introduced a buddy scheme to support new plot holders. A number of plots are rented by members of the refugee community which not only helps with the cost of living but also improves well-being and integration.

The woodland is well maintained by our Green Gym and some rarer orchids can be found among the trees. The track is used by the local Park Run every Saturday and also by local dog walkers.

The Trust Deed states that these allotments are for ordinary working people, therefore the charity uses available funds to keep rents affordable. The Trust carried out a rent review as costs for maintenance and services have risen, and this resulted in a restructure of charges and a rent increase for many plots for 2024-25. The new pricing structure, whilst increasing income overall, introduced a lower rent for small plots and concessionary rates for those living on a low income so no one is excluded, and ensures the site remains viable in the long term.

The Charity reserves are due to previous land sale. The site is adjacent to a site allocated for new housing and trustees may need to negotiate with developers who want to build a new road. Trustees are keen that funds are reserved to pay any associated costs and to provide better facilities once the future of the site is more certain.

Mrs S. Coleman  
(Trustee)

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The charity provides allotments and open space in the form of woodland for the residents of Chipping Norton.

Activities in the past year have included facilitating the allotment holders to host seed swaps and other community events. The charity has also paid a contractor to clear bramble and bushes to ensure the pathways are as accessible as possible and enabled new allotment holders to take on previously overgrown plots.

Allotment gardening is currently very popular due to a desire by local people to grow their own food, enjoy the outdoors, and take healthy exercise and almost all our 164 plots are let. The committee organises an annual competition with a variety of categories to encourage a sense of community and are investigating developing a community hub to provide a place for allotment holders to meet for seed swapping and advice.

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Our Trust Deed states that these allotments are for ordinary working people, therefore the charity uses available funds to keep rents low. The Trust will undertake a rent review in September 2023 to ensure financial sustainability.

***Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of William Fowler Allotment Trust***

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**Mrs Tracy Norris**  
**FCCA**  
**Astral Accountancy Services Limited**  
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Chipping Norton  
Oxfordshire  
OX7 5SR

Date: 8 December 2023



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**Mrs Tracy Norris**  
**FCCA**  
**Astral Accountancy Services Limited**  
2b Marston House  
Cromwell Business Park  
Chipping Norton  
Oxfordshire  
OX7 5SR

Date: 7 October 2022

**WILLIAM FOWLER ALLOTMENT TRUST**

**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT AND BALANCE SHEET YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

<u>RECEIPTS</u>		<u>PAYMENTS</u>			
<u>2020/21</u>		<u>2021/22</u>	<u>2020/21</u>	<u>2021/22</u>	
2,672	Rents and Key Deposits	2,783	544	Water Rates	396
4,817	Dividends from Investments	4,636	0	Administration Charges by C.N.T.C.	11,375
0	Sale of Shares	20,000	0	NAS Membership	67
2	Interest from COIF Deposit Account	1	360	Audit Fee	360
0	HSBC Credit	0	540	Insurance	540
0	Refund Legal Fees	0	127	Prizes for Allotment Competition	137
			30	Expenses for Allotment Competition (Judge)	30
			1,722	Repairs, Maintenance, Strimming, Mowing, etc	3,348
			1,652	Skip Hire and Refuse Removal	1,719
			0	Bank Charges	36
<u>7,491</u>	Total Receipts	<u>27,420</u>	7,873	Fencing/Wall	1,577
6,055	Amount payments exceed receipts 2021/22	3,993	120	Keys, Padlocks	126
			0	Preparing New Allotments	11,652
			0	Cup Engraving/Rosettes	0
			0	Key/Rents Refunds	50
			578	Miscellaneous	0
			<u>13,546</u>	Total Payments	<u>31,413</u>
			0	Receipts exceed payments 2021/22	0
<u>13,546</u>	Totals	<u>31,413</u>	<u>13,546</u>	Totals	<u>31,413</u>

**BALANCES**

<u>Accumulated Fund</u>		<u>Carried Forward</u>			
		10,427	HSBC Community Account	0	
		0	Unity Bank Account	5,075	
		1,500	COIF Deposit Account	1,500	
		<u>-1,394</u>	Creditor/Cheque Not Cleared	<u>-35</u>	
		10,533		6,540	
			COIF Charity Funds		
		164,915	Investment Fund Income	159,175	
157,725	Balance Brought Forward	180,999	5,551	Investment Fund Accumulation	6,197
-6,055	Difference between receipts and payments	-3,993			
29,329	Change in value of shares	-5,094	<u>170,466</u>		<u>165,372</u>
<u>180,999</u>		<u>171,912</u>	<u>180,999</u>	Total Funds	<u>171,912</u>

We approve these accounts:






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Office Hours: Mon – Fri 9am – 1pm

Charity number: 203329

## **TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT 1.4.2021 – 31.3.2022**

The charity provides allotments and open space in the form of woodland for the residents of Chipping Norton.

Activities in the past year have included maintenance of allotment tracks which now provide easier access. The charity has also paid a contractor to clear a number of large plots which were out of use and split these to make smaller plots more suited to new allotment holders with modern busy lifestyles. This has increased the number of plots available so the charity could meet all requests from residents.

Allotment gardening is currently very popular due to a desire by local people to grow their own food, enjoy the outdoors, and take healthy exercise and almost all our 164 plots are let. The committee organises an annual competition with a variety of categories to encourage a sense of community and are investigating developing a community hub to provide a place for allotment holders to meet for seed swapping and advice.

The woodland is well maintained by our Green Gym and some rarer orchids can be found amongst the trees. The track is used by the local Park Run every Saturday and also by local dog walkers.

The Charity reserves are due to previous land sale. The site is adjacent to a site allocated for new housing and trustees may need to negotiate with developers who want to build a new road. Trustees are keen that funds are reserved to pay any associated costs and to provide better facilities once the future of the site is more certain.

Our Trust Deed states that these allotments are for ordinary working people, therefore the charity uses available funds to keep rents low.