

Trustees' Annual Report

From: 2024

To: 2025

Charity's full name *The Wheldrake Recreation Ground Foundation*

Registered Charity number 523310

Objectives and activities

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

The Wheldrake Recreation Ground Foundation, operating under the name of the WRA, is the registered charity (Charitable Trust)

which is responsible for the management of the Trust property located between Broad Highway and Greengales Lane, comprising

around 6 acres of land. Funds for a recreation ground was raised by the residents of Wheldrake, including a contribution from the

Parish Council, which enabled the purchase of the property on 31 January 1972. The property was placed in Trust, a Charity formed,

and the Parish council named as the Custodian Trustee. The Custodian Trustee (Parish Council) holds the Title to the Land, but is

forbidden to be involved in the management of the Trust Property. The responsibility of managing the Trust Property is vested in a

committee of managing trustees, appointed in accordance with the governing document, the Conveyance of 1972.

Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts

To provide a recreational facility for the benefit of the residents of Wheldrake. In order to meet its charitable

The trustees consider that they have complied with their duties to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.

The financial year 2024/2025 was financially a much better year. The financial controls and programs brought in the previous year provided a much more stable footing. The introduction of a new revised budget with a consistent and transparent charging model for facility hire meant that the charity was not subsidising groups which did not fall under its charitable objectives.

The operation of the bar was transferred to a separate trading company, staffed by volunteers and the profits donated to the charity. The charity continues to review the performance of the trading company.

Work to phase 1 had finally started on the long awaited capital project to renovate and convert the tennis courts into a multi games area (MUGA). Funding for the project came from the donation from the bar profit, a loan from the tennis club and a five year interest free loan from Yorkshire Tennis.

The first set of repayments have already been made, and the charity has ensured that it has enough reserve capital to pay off the loan if needed. The Trustees have opted to take advantage of the free interest and will pay the loan as per the agreement.

The Trustees continue to pursue the S106 funds from the new housing estate in the village, which has now commenced. The funding received from the S106 pot will go towards the completion of phase 2 of the MUGA.

A CIO has been established which would see the assets from the current Trust transferred in order to continue the provision of the charitable objects of the Trust. However, the Trustees felt that the structure and purpose of the CIO was not in keeping with the Trust. A resolution was passed to alter the CIO so that it would be closer aligned to the Trust before completing the transfer of assets. The Trustees continue to work towards this goal and would like to draw down on the loan before completing the transfer.

Financial review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period

The outgoings for this year is higher than last year due to the commencement of the MUGA project. The income also shows lower, as the operation of the bar has been transferred to a new trading company, who donate the profits. The majority donation would be expected during the last quarter of the trading companies financial year. The Charity also registered for VAT. The reserves are also lower due to previous Trustees agreeing to lower the reserve threshold. It should be noted that the current Trustees disagreed with the policy, and have decided to raise the threshold to £30,000. The reserves will build up over the next financial year.

Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held

Unrestricted reserves are held to continue to maintain the building, field and facilities.

Amount of reserves held

15,000.00

Reasons for holding zero reserves

n/a

Funds materially in deficit

None

Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern

No concerns

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (e.g. trust deed, royal charter)	Trust Deed
How the charity is constituted (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Unincorporated
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	<i>The Trustees are appointed annually at the AGM, and the Governing Document makes provision for the election of 13 Trustees from the community, and 14 named Trustees from organisations listed in the second schedule of the the Trust Deed. Together they form the management committee who oversee the hall and the recreation field.</i>

Reference and administration details

Charity's full name	<i>The Wheldrake Recreation Ground Foundation</i>
Other names the charity is known by	<i>Wheldrake Recreation Association</i>
Charity's principal address	<i>Wheldrake Village Hall Broad Highway Wheldrake, York</i>
	Postcode YO19 6BU

Names of the 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/dismiss
<i>Anthony Carter</i>	Chair		
<i>Graham Viney</i>	Treasurer		
<i>Suzie Mercer</i>	Secretary		
<i>Lesley Holderness</i>			
<i>Paul Rhodes</i>			
<i>Sean Baldry</i>			

Independent Examiner	Nick Adams	RF Adams & Co Ltd Unit 8a Escrick Business Park Escrick YO19 6FD
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Bankers
HSBC Selby Branch

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Annual Report and Accounts

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature

Full Name ***Anthony Carter***

Position ***Chair***

Date ***31-01-2026***

The Wheldrake Recreation Association - Income & Expenditure Report 2024-25

			March 2025	March 2024
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Receipts				
Hall Bookings & Deposits	16,127.75		16,127.75	5,584.00
Affiliation Fees	1,600.00		1,600.00	3,600.00
Affiliation Rents	705.00		705.00	8,522.00
Advertising sponsorship	2,160.00		2,160.00	-
Recycling Receipts	407.08		407.08	828.00
Donations	17,429.94		17,429.94	4,644.00
Field Rent & Key Deposits	2,730.00		2,730.00	-
HMRC VAT refunds	902.20		902.20	-
Fundraising	141.00		141.00	303.00
Sundries	214.50		214.50	3.00
Bar income	3,942.34		3,942.34	96,501.00
Bank interest	1,301.40		1,301.40	684.00
External loan	25,000.00		25,000.00	-
	72,661.21	-	72,661.21	120,669.00
Payments				
Advertising & publicity	3,069.40		3,069.40	215.00
Bar Bank A/C Charges	-		-	230.00
Bar Expenses	-		-	68,372.00
Cleaning & Pest control	2,166.65		2,166.65	3,150.00
Electric & Gas	6,146.46		6,146.46	6,225.00
Field Maintenance	2,599.09		2,599.09	5,002.00
Hall hire deposit refunds	805.00		805.00	900.00
HMRC VAT	401.18		401.18	-
Independent examination	333.60		333.60	350.00
Insurance costs	1,461.08		1,461.08	1,425.00
Legal Fees (CIO)	237.00		237.00	680.00
Licenses & Memberships	32.61		32.61	487.00
Main Bank A/C Charges	65.36		65.36	66.00
Maintenance, repairs & renewals	2,562.30		2,562.30	3,345.00
Muga Project	125,148.00		125,148.00	930.00
Office & telephone	68.03		68.03	369.00
Rates, Waste & Water	1,312.27		1,312.27	1,125.00
Sundry costs	210.78		210.78	212.00
Sports equipment	2,355.00		2,355.00	-
	148,973.81	-	148,973.81	93,083.00
Loan Payments to external funder				
Total payments	148,973.81	-	148,973.81	93,083.00
Surplus of income/expenditure	- 76,312.60	-	- 76,312.60	27,586.00
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
Balance brought forward	107,469.63	-	79,883.00	80,885.00
Balance carried forward	31,157.03	-	3,570.40	108,471.00

Statement of Assets & Liabilities 2024-25

			March 2025	March 2024
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Assets				
Current Account	11,173.85	-	11,173.85	3,851.00
Savings Account	15,278.10		15,278.10	41,056.00
Bar Account	4,405.08	-	4,405.08	62,470.00
Bar Cash Float	-	-	-	150.00
Bar Cash in Hand	-	-	-	944.00
Total Net	30,857.03	-	30,857.03	108,471.00

			March 2024	March 2023
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Liabilities				
Independent examination fee	300.00		300.00	
Corporation Tax Liability				-
VAT Liability	-		-	-
	300.00	-	300.00	-

Balance carried forward	31,157.03	-	31,157.03	108,471.00
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Signature

Full Name

Trustee authorised to sign on behalf of all trustees

Presented by

Address

Tel No

I confirm that I have carried out an independent examination of the accounts of The Wheldrake Recreation Association and in my opinion the accounts are in agreement with the books and records maintained by the club.

Signed



Name:

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Date:

30/01/2026

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