

Childrens Wilderness Sanctuary

Scotland · Charity number SC023382

Details

Status	Active
Legal form	Trust (founding document is a deed of trust) (other than educational endowment)
Registered	1995-02-03
Register	View on the OSCR register

Contact

Address	Finniegill Boreland Lockerbie DG11 2LP
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Activities

Activities: 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the advancement of education', 'the advancement of environmental protection or improvement'

What the charity does: The charity aims for the education of children and young people through nature and local, national and international ecological and environmental issues. We mainly do this through the land in the Upper Dryffe valley. We have developed activities to be held in nature. Tree recognition through games and collecting leaves, environmental art [making art with natural materials] pond dips, orientation, survival [keeping warm and dry outdoors] story telling, den making, outdoor cooking, keeping outdoor areas tidy, care for the environment. Simple boat making and racing them in the river. Simple sport activities outdoors. The children and adults love these activities. It gives them a better understanding of themselves and what they can achieve. They learn to work together without putting pressure on that aspect. They look healthier by being outside, away of their phones an t.v. They learn to problem solve in nature. This being a skill that they will take with them into their normal life

Beneficiaries: 'Children or young people', 'No specific group, or for the benefit of the community'

Objectives: The Trustees shall hold the Trust Funds aftermentioned for the benefit of the public for charitable purposes only within the meaning assigned thereto by the law for the time being in force and, specifically, the advancement of education of children and young persons, in particular children and young persons coming from families with a background of social and/or economic deprivation, in nature studies and other subjects appertaining to local, national and international ecological and environmental issues.

Geography

- **Main operating location:** Dumfries And Galloway
- **Geographical spread:** Scotland and other parts of the UK

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£101,696	£893	-	0
2023-12-31	£537	£466	-	0
2022-12-31	£606	£946	-	0
2021-12-31	£602	£1,438	-	0
2020-12-31	£602	£150	-	0

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Accounts

CHILDRENS WILDERNESS SANCTUARY

Annual report 2024.

May 2025

The charities aims are to encourage education through nature and the environment with children and young people. This will also empower children and young people as they develop certain skills by being in nature.

Last year was a different year. For a while we have had discussions with the organisation who plans to use our valley for wind turbines. This will mean that we will be surrounded by lots of very high turbines very near our land and buildings. The outcome of the meetings is that we have to relocate.

During the year people who still have a connection with the charity have been visiting and spent time here. Without being asked they all shared what they have learned and what difference this has made in their lives. The outcomes have been far more reaching than we ever thought possible. They all had one thing in common, they all felt sad with the coming changes. They all learned skills that helped them through their lives. They learned different and better ways to communicate with people and situations. They learned to problem solve, learned to deal with adversity, learned to appreciate nature and look after this better. Some are now working as teachers, some have jobs with trees and nature. If they have children of their own, they have passed these skills onto their children. They all mentioned the freedom for being themselves being here. They loved being here. Being here created deep connections that developed here with the people and animals here. These connections remained and when returning here again they quickly fell into place and it felt like no time had passed between when they last had been here.

We talked about why it worked so well being here and came up with these points. There was space and time, people listened, problems were being sorted with everyone together, everyone was feeling valued and being part of a community. People felt safe and within this safe and open environment they could grow and bring changes to themselves. It was so unexpected hearing their updates and each and everyone giving this feedback.

We will reconsider our upcoming changing situation and find the best possible solution for our future.



Trustee

Childrens Wildernes Sanctuary Accounts

	2023	2024
January 1 money in the bank	£ 3541.66	£ 3612.38
Expenditure		
Insurance of trustees	396.77	507.51
Batterie	70.00	
Council tax		385.95
Total	£ 466.77	£ 893.46
Income		
Caravan	500.00	
Interest	37.49	1309.23
Salé		100000.00
Refund		387.61
Total	£ 537.69	£ 101696.84
December 31 Money in bank	£3612.38	£ 104415.76

[Redacted Signature]

Date: 14/4/25

[Redacted Signature]

Trustee:

Signed:

Date: 29/04/25

[Redacted Signature]

Independent examiner:

Signed

Date: 17 April 2025

		Independent examiner's report on the accounts ^{v2}					
Report to the trustees/members of	Charity name	Childrens Wilderness Sanctuary					
Registered charity number	SC023382						
On the accounts of the charity for the period	Period start date			to	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	1	January	2024		31	December	2024
Set out on pages	1	(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)					
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner	The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.						
Basis of independent examiner's statement	My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.						
Independent examiner's statement	In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention [other than that disclosed on the attached page*]						
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations have not been met, or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached. 						
Signed:	[Redacted Signature]					Date:	17 th April 2025
Name:	[Redacted Name]						
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	[Redacted Qualification]						
Address:	[Redacted Address]						