

# 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

Sale

100000.00

Refund

387.61

Total

£ 537.69

£ 101696.84

December 31 Money in bank

£3612.38

£ 104415.76

Date: 14/4/25

Trustee:

Signed:

Date: 29/04/25

Independent examiner:

Signed:

Date: 17 April 2025

## APPENDIX 3

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			Period end date		
Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
1	January	2024	to	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\*]

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
  - 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:

Date:

17<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Name:

 Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):  
 Address: