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DIRECTORS' AND TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2025

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Company Number: 05673816 (England & Wales)

Registered Charity Number: 1119592

Patron: The Viscount Ashbrook

Directors: Susan Bartlett
Margaret Blowey
David Cash
Gordon Darlington
Martin Slack

Peter Young (Resigned November 2024)

Registered Office: 26 Sandford Road
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The Council of Management presents its report with the financial statements of the charity for the Year ended 31 January 2025.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The charity is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

The objects of the Trust are:

- 1 To promote the education of the public in fine arts, crafts, sciences and all other matters connected with designed landscapes; and
- 2 To promote the appropriate action for any or all of the following: the restoration, enhancement, preservation, conservation, protection and understanding of designed landscapes that may exist or have existed in and around the pre-1974 historic county of Cheshire.

The Cheshire Garden Trust Council of Management Trustees has adopted the *Charity Governance Code for smaller charities* and is working towards ensuring that it is fully compliant with its stipulated good practice. It acknowledges, however, that it is not possible to be fully compliant at the present time in relation to the proposed maximum length of service of 9 years. Whilst this is a matter of continual review with steps being taken to ensure a regular turnover of Trustee membership, it is necessary to retain Trustee membership beyond nine years in view of the current Trustees' considerable skills and expertise.

The Trustees have reviewed the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance. The activities of the Trust fall mainly within the Charitable Purposes: advancement of education, and advancement of arts, culture and heritage. The activities of the Trust in meeting these public benefits are described in detail below. Membership of the Trust is open to everyone and members of the public do not need to be a member of the Trust to benefit from its activities.

Appointment of Trustees

The trustees who served during the year are set out on the charity information page at the front of these accounts.

Trustees are elected by the members at the AGM to serve on the Council of Management for three years. Members of the Council are restricted to two consecutive terms of three years, unless there are fewer candidates for election than places available. Council may consist of no fewer than four and no more than seven members. A further three co-options may be made.

The Council of Management encourages others to stand for election and there is a simple role description for new Trustees.

Organisation

The company is limited by guarantee and was incorporated on 12 January 2006. It was registered as a charity on 11 June 2007. The Trust is a member of the national body The Gardens Trust.

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Risk policy

The trustees have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the charity faces and confirm that systems have been established to enable regular reports to be produced so that the necessary steps can be taken to lessen these risks. The following are in place:

- An annual budget is set and management accounts reported against budget at intervals through the year.
- Public Liability and Trustee Indemnity Insurance;
- Role descriptions and information packs for Council of Management members;
- Risk assessments are made prior to every event;
- Site visit guidance notes and risk assessments for volunteers undertaking research and recording.
- An information pack for research and recorders which includes guidance to minimise risk;
- Training for researchers;
- A Data Protection Policy has been drafted to ensure the Trust complies with the General Data Protection Regulation 2018.

The Council of Management also recognises that too much responsibility rests on too few volunteers and will continue to encourage members of the Trust to serve on the Council and to volunteer for the various activities it undertakes.

Achievements and performance

The Gardens Trust Volunteer of the Year

In July 2024, the Gardens Trust presented Barbara Moth with its highest award, 'Volunteer of the Year'. This was in recognition of the outstanding contribution she has made over the last twenty years, both in Cheshire and nationally.

Membership Report February 2024 - January 2025

Total membership at the end of January 2025 is 138 (5 of which are Gift memberships granted to those who open their gardens to us) and including 8 new members over this period.

There have been 16 members who have not renewed plus 4 previous Gift memberships who have not joined CGT.

The overall picture is that our membership continues to gradually reduce and so we ask all members to actively "spread the word" and encourage their friends to join us. Distributing our leaflets to libraries, etc. in your local areas would also be helpful. (Please see Sue Bartlett for leaflets)

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During the year, Crispin Spencer stood down as Membership Secretary after serving in this role since 2016. We are very grateful to Crispin for his excellent contribution to the Cheshire Gardens Trust over that time. The Council of Management decided that this role will now be combined with that of Treasurer, currently carried out by Martin Slack. Future plans are to streamline the membership contact and recording process.

We continue to point out that only a small number of members are very actively involved in our various activities but a good proportion do attend visits and talks. All members receive newsletters and regular emailed news items.

Martin Slack, Membership Secretary and Sue Bartlett

Chairperson

Since 1st October 2021, the Council of Management has been seeking a suitable person who is prepared to fulfil this role. In the meantime, David Cash has temporarily chaired Council of Management meetings but he has indicated that he will be standing down from the committee at the AGM on 8th May 2025. We continue to hope to fill the role of Chairman but this is a situation which cannot continue indefinitely.

Events Report : 1st February 2024 – 31st January 2025

The Events Team has been pleased again to offer a programme of Garden Visits over the spring and summer months of 2024, attracting an average of 30 members and guests. The attendance included one or two members from the Staffordshire Gardens Trust and Tatton Garden Society to which details of our events are circulated.

These visits, all well received by members, were as follows:

Tuesday 28th May, Bankhead, Barnhill, near Chester
Thursday 13th June, Plantagogo (heuchera nursery), near Crewe,
Wednesday 17th July, Laskey Farm, Thelwall
Thursday 8th August, Norley Bank Farm near Frodsham
Thursday 12th September, The Palmhouse, Sefton Park

Over the winter months of 2024, we also organised a series of live talks, all taking place at Marthall Hall, Chelford. These talks were as follows:

Monday 11th March 2024, Marcus Chilton Jones, Curator at RHS Bridgewater (50 attendees)
Monday 21st October, Don Billington, RHS Medal winner & Curator of the Bromeliad collection (25 attendees)
Monday 18th November : Emma Hill Head Gardener at Hare Hill and Little Moreton Hall & CGT Member

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Although the attendance at the talks appears to have varied, the talks have remained popular. The forecast attendance at our next talk on 3rd March 2025 by Emily Chandler, Head Gardener at NT Dunham Massey, is approximately 60 members and guests.

Since the pandemic in 2020, we have offered some talks via zoom. As the popularity of this medium has dropped and with difficulties booking appropriate speakers, we decided that all talks from autumn 2024 should be attended in person, a popular decision amongst members. We have no plans to return to virtual talks.

In 2024 the CGT 20th Anniversary Year, the Events Team organised two events for members on behalf of the CGT Council of Management. On 22nd May the Annual General Meeting, together with a garden visit, took place at Arley Hall, the home of our President, Viscount Ashbrook. On 21st August a celebratory garden party for members and guests was held at Ashton Grange, the home of our Treasurer, Martin Slack, and his wife Kate.

The Events Team is currently planning for the 2025 programme of garden visits including the proposed first two visits to Stonyford Cottages, Oakmere, and Biddulph Old Hall. Detailed reports of all our events are included in our CGT Newsletters that can be viewed on the website, www.cheshire-gardens-trust.org.uk, - see also **Gallery tab/Events page**.

The Events Team comprises Margaret Blowey (Chair), Jackie Cawte, Gordon Darlington, Janet Horne, Julia Whitfield, and Carolyn Yardley. We all hope that CGT members and friends have enjoyed the programme we arranged for 2024-25, and we look forward to meeting you again at the further events in the forthcoming months.

Margaret Blowey, on behalf of the Events Team

Research and Recording Group Report 1st February 2024 – 31st January 2025

This year we have issued three reports on two significant public parks, Poynton Park and Whitby Park, and Oakmere Hall, a site where compelling circumstantial evidence indicates a design by Edward Kemp, hereto unidentified.

Three requests for information were received during this period. A request from a firm of conservation architects for a copy of the Group's report on Davenham Hall plus two requests from researchers. The first research query was about hot walls, specifically relating to Combermere, when members and their network of contacts were able to assist. The other was about Garden Mounts in Cheshire, in response to which we were able to send reports on Chorlton Old Hall, Malpas and Peel Hall, Ashton Hays plus various other useful links.

While Cheshire Record Office is closed for reorganisation in readiness for moving to new premises, we have been unable to access all research resources. Barbara Wright proposed that the group should prepare short reports, based on online sources. The short report format has been refined and three short reports completed and issued just to Cheshire Historic Environment Record.

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In June Barbara Wright organised a fascinating visit to the Bath House and Physic Garden in Congleton, to which all CGT members were invited, and where the volunteers showed us round (see CGT newsletter July 2024).

Jackie Cawte represented the Trust at Cheshire Local History Day. We continue to attend the Cheshire West Heritage Forum, with the Chairperson Katrina Kerr, attending the garden party at Ashton Grange in August.

We are grateful for the company and contribution of two research and recorders who have stepped down, and would be pleased to welcome any interested members to a meeting or site visit so that they can discover more about what we do. Our next meeting, a site visit, is planned for Wednesday 21st May 2025; further details will be provided at the AGM.

research@cheshire-gardens-trust.org.uk

Barbara Moth and Jackie Cawte on behalf of the Research & Recording Group

Planning and Conservation Report February 2024 – January 2025

This year CGT received and reviewed 24 planning applications and commented on 15.

Area Breakdown as follows:

Cheshire East – 19 including one via the Forestry Commission
Cheshire West & Chester – 1
Peak District National Park Authority -1
Stockport - 1
Trafford - 1
Wirral 1

Included in these figures are:

Neighbourhood Development Plans – 7
Local Development Plans - 2
Registered Parks & Gardens – 13 including one direct invitation to CGT for a Pre-application Consultation
Locally Significant Landscapes - 1
Local Validation Checklist Cheshire East – 1

Over this period applications on which we were consulted were down by a third, primarily because Cheshire East, who previously sent us application relating to Locally Significant, non-Designated Landscapes, as of summer 2024 no longer appear to do so. One case which we only became aware of after permission had been granted, is for Lapland UK to run a seven week winter festival at Capesthorpe, a ten year permission.

We are keen for members to get in touch if they hear of local consultations or planning applications that fall within our remit, and we are grateful to those members who have contacted us and who have assisted in responses, meetings and site visits.

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During the year we commented on Styal Neighbourhood Plan. Our concerns were that key views in the plan relied on ones identified in the Conservation Area Appraisal of 2008, undertaken prior to restoration of the garden at Quarry Bank; also that the plan did not include non designated heritage assets, built or landscape, both of which are present in Styal and make a significant contribution to local character. At his request we met with the Chairman of the local group preparing the plan and provided examples from other neighbourhood plans. Due to the timescale of the Neighbourhood Plan process it was not possible for the issue of non designated assets to be addressed. The Examiner of the plan noted our comments but did not think identification of non designated heritage assets was necessary, contrary to Historic England guidance. However the Styal Chairman is keen to address this issue and has asked if Cheshire Gardens Trust volunteers would be able to assist with identification (and presumably recording) of non designated landscape assets.

Sue Bartlett, Barbara Moth planning@cheshire-gardens-trust.org.uk

Caldwell's Nurseries Project Report Feb 2024 – Jan 2025

The Website continues to be used on a regular basis and is now more accessible as it has been transferred to a new format. This makes it usable on a Smartphone in a way that was not possible before. In addition, a new customer report provides users with a total expenditure per customer.

Work continues on a new book provisionally entitled The World of the Early Knutsford Nurserymen. Joy Uings

<https://www.cheshire-gardens-trust.org.uk/?Caldwell-Nurseries-Knutsford---Research-Project>

Networking Report February 2024 - January 2025

As before, networking continues in an informal way, including advertising for and joining with other Cheshire organisations' meetings and talks and also by connecting with non-members at CGT's Events. Thanks to Gwyneth Owen, our members' on-line link to events, for expanding her remit to include contacts with our neighbouring County Gardens Trusts.

In this, our 20th anniversary year, we held a special AGM and also a celebratory members' Garden Party also attended by representatives from local authorities and neighbouring County Gardens Trusts. We were especially happy to be joined by garden designer and journalist, Alison Moore who wrote an article about the work of CGT published in the March 2025 edition of Cheshire Life magazine. We also advertised in the Cheshire Open Gardens Yellow Book and approached various Cheshire publications to highlight CGT's achievements

As an offshoot of our Planning activities, we have received some direct contact with Parish Council members of various Neighbourhood Development Plan committees, which we hope will result in the protection of more non-designated historic landscapes via these ND Plans.

We always welcome more new ideas from members to enhance our outreach activities.

Sue Bartlett info@cheshire-gardens-trust.org.uk

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Annual Report on Newsletter - February 2024 - January 2025

The production of the Cheshire Gardens Trust Newsletter continued during the period of the report with four issues between February 2024 and January 2025. There have not been a great many changes during that period.

The April '24 edition of the Newsletter was an important one as this was the 20th anniversary of the establishment of Cheshire Gardens Trust. To celebrate this, we had a special leading article highlighting the events and developments over the last 20 years.

Throughout the year, we continued to feature the Head Gardeners of Cheshire and nearby. The first in July 2017 was Emma Hill, Head Gardener at Hare Hill. In January 2025, we featured Lindsay Berry of Quarry Bank Mill, our 20th Head Gardener, appropriate in the year of our anniversary. This series will continue as long as there are Head Gardeners to cover. Also continuing is our series on the parks of Cheshire. A new series, starting hopefully in the April 2025 edition, will be the plant nurseries of Cheshire, which are likely to be many and varied. We also aim to cover the activities of the different CGT groups, Conservation and Planning, Events, and Research and Recording.

The Newsletter Support Group disbanded during 2023, though Freyda Taylor continues to assist with proofreading. Many of those on the group continue to support the Editor with articles and other information. Over the period there were 13 members contributing articles. In addition, there were two non-members who contributed very thoughtful articles, one who had been inspired by Marcus Chilton Jones talking about volunteering at RHS Bridgwater and the other who is a member from a neighbouring Gardens Trust, who wanted to spread information about a garden designer working in Cheshire. Garden designers continue to be an ongoing topic for articles and one of our members contributed a fascinating article on Liverpool Parks.

Topics for articles are many and varied, often quite unusual and have included interesting subjects such as crinkle crinkle walls, bromeliads, smallholdings, tulip trees and celery.

I will be moving to the Lake District in 2026. My last newsletter will be January 2026, so we will need a new editor. Please consider taking up the role. The newsletter is a lot easier to put together now than it used to be. I will happily provide help during the year. In the meantime please continue to send in suggestions, information and articles.

Sue Eldridge
CGT Newsletter Editor newsletter@cheshire-gardens-trust.org.uk

Website Report Feb 2024 – Jan 2025

We continue to reach out via our Website receiving enquiries as diverse as Garden Societies asking for speakers' contact details, queries relating to Research & Recording, thanks from a Planner who uses the website as a research resource, an author request for photograph copyright details and finally a request for more Caldwell Nurseries books from David Caldwell

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in Australia – so good to be in contact with him again after all the help he gave us in working on his family's legacy and the Caldwell Nurseries Project

And of course, more people are using our website to download membership applications and event booking forms.

Reviewing our website is a continuous process so please visit it and let us have your comments, updates, photographs or anything to help us enrich CGT's important public face. We are always grateful for help to put new content on the site e.g. photos on the Gallery, add to our information on Public Parks and update the Latest News section. Training will be given to volunteers and spreading the load in this way would involve only an hour or so every few weeks. Please contact me if you are willing to help.

Finally, a big thank you to Sue Eldridge for her past sterling work on the Events page and maintaining the Events Gallery and now grateful thanks are due to Gwyneth Owen for taking over from Sue by putting new Events and booking details on line.

Sue Bartlett info@cheshire-gardens-trust.org.uk

Volunteers

As we stated last year, maintaining our activities requires the input of our many volunteers. However, we are very aware that some have been undertaking their roles for more than a decade and unfortunately that means we are getting older! It is important that the Trust is refreshed by the different ideas and experiences of younger members. Everyone can help, whether occasionally or for longer periods. Please allow our long-term volunteers to take a step backward. We will still be around to offer support.

Financial review January 2024 – February 2025

In the year ending 31/01/2025, the Trust made a surplus of £25 and this compares to the surplus of £123 reported in the previous year. The total available assets at the end of the year were £16,383. The detailed figures on pages [11 – 15] show that our income and expenditure items both increased over the year; the principal reason for this was the special AGM to celebrate our 20th anniversary. Our income from subscriptions did, however, fall. As a charity, the Trust should not continue to build up funds and the Council of Management continues to look for appropriate projects to support.

Reserves policy

It is the policy of the charity to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves of the charity, at least at a level which equates to approximately six months unrestricted expenditure. This provides sufficient funds to meet operational costs and to fund the next two events of the Trust. Unrestricted funds were maintained well above this level throughout the year.

Martin Slack – Treasurer

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Looking Forward

The future of Cheshire Gardens Trust and the excellent work it carries out is now under threat.

The Trust's Constitution requires it to be administered by the Council of Management. The Constitution was amended recently so that the minimum number of trustees required was reduced from seven to four. With effect from the 2024 AGM there were 6 Trustees but unfortunately since then, Peter Young has had to step down and we thank him for his valuable contributions. Now, three more members (Margaret Blowey, Gordon Darlington and David Cash) have all decided that they do not wish to continue beyond the next AGM on Thursday, 8th May. All three have served on CoM since 2017. The consequence of this is that we will need at least two new members elected to CoM at the next AGM if the Trust is to continue.

At its meeting in January 2024, CoM decided that now would be a good time to improve the CGT's operating structure. It concluded that the ideal CoM membership would comprise the following:-

- Chair (if nobody wishes to take up this role specifically, different CoM members could take up the position for rolling periods of one year).
- Minutes Secretary (Sue Bartlett has confirmed she is prepared to continue in this role).
- Treasurer (Martin Slack has confirmed he is prepared to continue in this role and has also taken on the role Membership Secretary).
- If possible, one representative from each of the four active groups (Research & Recording, Events, Planning & Conservation and Newsletter).
- At least one representative from the General Membership

Sue Bartlett represents the Planning & Conservation group and Website administration and we are delighted that Jackie Cawte has put her name forward. As she sits on both the Research & Recording and the Events Groups, it is excellent that she will be able to represent both of these key areas of activity. However, it still means that at least one additional member is needed to step forward and volunteer to join CoM in order to satisfy the requirement of the Trust's Constitution. *This is necessary for the CGT to continue.*

In order to ensure that serving on the CoM is not too time consuming, we plan to streamline CoM meetings, to three or four per year. At present, CoM members are elected for a period of three years but there is nothing to prevent someone from serving a shorter time period.

CGT was established to promote appreciation and understanding of designed landscapes, seek their conservation and undertake their research. These aims are being supported by our popular events programme and the time and enthusiasm of all the active groups.

The Government is currently consulting on removing the Gardens Trust as a statutory planning consultee. Should this go ahead, the work of all the County Gardens Trusts would become even more important in supporting the above aims. To no longer work towards these aims would be greatly disappointing in view of the efforts of Cheshire Gardens Trust's founding members and its achievements over the past 21 years.

If we do not receive at least one further volunteer to join CoM by the AGM on 8th May, then we will have to consider the future continuance of the Trust.

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Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the financial Year and of its surplus or deficit for the financial Year. In doing so the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 and with applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in existence.

The trustees (Council of Management) are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enables them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the Council of Management on 31st March 2025.

David Cash
Trustee

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BALANCE SHEET

AT 31 JANUARY 2025

	Note	2025		2024	
		£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Debtors and prepayments	3	0		30	
Bank Accounts		16,384		17,254	
		<u>16,384</u>		<u>17,284</u>	
Creditors					
Amounts falling due within one year	4	0		926	
		<u>0</u>		<u>926</u>	
Net current assets			16,384		16,358
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>16,384</u>		<u>16,358</u>
Net assets			<u>16,384</u>		<u>16,358</u>
Capital funds					
Unrestricted funds			16,384		16,358
Total funds			<u>16,384</u>		<u>16,358</u>

For the year ending 31/01/2025 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The Members have not required the Company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The Directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved by the trustees on

Martin Slack
Trustee

David Cash
Trustee

The annexed notes form part of these financial statements

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2025

Details of Incoming resources and resources used are given in the notes to the financial statements.

	Unrest'd Funds 2025	Total Funds	<i>Unrest'd Funds 2,023</i>	<i>Total Funds</i>
			£	£
Incoming resources				
Incoming Resources from generated funds:				
Voluntary income	3,976	3,976	2,816	2816
Activities for generating funds	1,781	1,781	2,091	2,091
Investment income	196	196	266	265.6
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Total incoming resources	5,953	5,953	5,173	5,173
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Resources expended				
Costs of generating funds	862	862	1,013	1,013
Charitable activities	3,801	3,801	3,348	3347.99
Governance costs	1,265	1,265	689	689
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Total resources expended	5,928	5,928	5,050	5,050
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Net movement in funds	25	25	123	123
Total funds brought forward	16,358	16,358	16,235	16,235
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Total funds carried forward	16,383	16,383	16,358	16,358
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Details of Incoming resources and resources used are given in the notes to the financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1. Accounting policies

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention (as modified by the revaluation of certain assets) and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and with the Charities Act 2011.

Cashflow statement

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement on the grounds that it is a small company.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the SoFA when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

2. Investment Income

	2025	2024
	£	£
Interest	196	266
	<u>==</u>	<u>==</u>

3. Debtors and prepayments

Amounts falling due within one year:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Prepayments and Accrued Income	-	-
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4. Creditors

Amounts falling due within one year:-

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accruals and Deferred Income	-	918
	<u>-</u>	<u>918</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>918</u>

5. Incoming resources

	2025	2025	2024	2024
	£	£	£	£
Voluntary Income				
Income from events and workshops	3,886		2,785	
Donations and Grants	90		31	
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
		3,976		2,816
Activities for generating funds				
Book and plant sales	124		63	
Membership subscriptions	1,657		2,028	
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
		1,781		2,091
Investment income				
Interest	196		266	
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
		196		266
		<u> </u>		<u> </u>
Total incoming resources		5,953		5,173
		<u> </u>		<u> </u>

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6. Costs of generating funds

	2025	2025	2024	2024
	£	£	£	£
Membership stationery & postage	170		111	
Newsletter stationery and postage	537		321	
Publicity	30		474	
Miscellaneous expenditure	125		107	
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
		862		1,013
		<u> </u>		<u> </u>

7. Charitable activities

	2025	2025	2024	2024
	£	£	£	£
Research and recording expenses	70		212	
Caldwell Project	302		293	
Conservation and planning expenses	0		165	
Event & workshop expenses	120		119.99	
Miscellaneous Charitable expenditure	3,309		2558	
	0		0	
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		3,801		3,348

8. Governance costs

	2025	2025	2024	2024
	£	£	£	£
Returns and Registration Fees	99		48	
Council Meetings	-		30	
TGT Subscription and Insurance	579		556	
AGM	587		55	
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		1,265		689
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9. Related party transactions

All directors are volunteers and receive no remuneration or other financial reward from the Trust.