

**LANGLEYBURY CHILDREN'S FARM
TRUSTEES REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024
Charity Registration No. 1077869**

ABOUT US AT LANGLEYBURY CHILDREN'S FARM

Background

Langleybury Children's Farm is a Registered Charity, governed by a constitution dated 17th January 1999. The Charity was registered on 20th October 1999. Originally the Farm operated as part of Langleybury School Association, the school's PTA. Despite the closure of Langleybury School in 1996 the Farm continues to operate. We still have 3 committee members who attended the school.

Objectives

1. The advancement of Education of children and young people in farming Technology and the Rural Environment.
2. The provisions of facilities to the General Public for recreation and leisure time occupation.
3. The farm provides educational facilities to local community groups, schools and learning disability groups.

Governing Body

The Executive Committee consists of 4 members.

At the Annual General Meeting, a Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer are appointed for the forthcoming year.

Current Officials are:

Executive Committee as of 31st October 2024

Ms Kim Tyler - Chairperson

Mrs Jeanette Martins - Treasurer

Ms Tara Burrowes - Trustee

Mrs Claire Twomey - Trustee

Other Members of Farm Management & Committee as of 31st October 20224

Iain Burrowes: Farm Manager

Luis Martins: Handyman

Darren Martins: Avery & Cove Specialist

Ella Trevellion

We also have:

14 Volunteers who run the Café and Shop

8 young volunteers who clean out, groom, feed the animals not forgetting giving them loads of love and affection.

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TRUSTEES REPORT

Hello and welcome to our latest annual report for our Langleybury Children's Farm charity for the season 2024.

Once again, we have had a successful season. Our ticket sales have increased which brings in our steady income. We have kept our admission price the same for the last few years. This enables us as a charity to be accessible to all, as we can see by our figures. We do not intend to increase our prices for our 2025 season.

We have a successful partnership with our local school; they help us with chores around the farm including animal husbandry and tasks in the upkeep of a farm. Whilst they are up the farm they are also given projects which go towards educational needs.

We also offer free school visits to the schools in our local area and now we are being approached from schools further afield which is very popular. We are trying to accommodate them as much as we can from the support of our volunteers. These visits helps the children with their educational requirements and giving them an insight of welfare and animals surroundings.

We have young adults with learning disabilities, come and help with chores around the farm who are a great help to the farm manager.

We continue to have support from our landlord The Ralph Trustees. There remains an ongoing planning application to be re locate the farm to an adjoining field. This then will entail a completely new farm being built with a new car park to support St Paul's School and enabling parents to park safely and not on a main road as they do at present. Our aim is to go ecofriendly with our new farm giving our animals and visitors a new experience.

As we have no date on the move yet are keeping everything maintained as much as we can and replace what we must at a minimal cost. We will need to use disposable funds to help with this project when it is agreed.

We would like to thank Iain our farm manager and our volunteers for all their hard work and support by everything running smoothly.

We look forward to another successful season in 2025.

Kim Tyler
Chairperson

Langleybury Children's Farm AGM – 18th November 2024

Present: Iain ,Tara, Ella, Kim, Mark, Jack, Claire, Harrison, Jeanette, Lily.

Excused: Neveah, Daisy, Darren.

Chairmans review:

- Kim thanks everyone for their hard work
- still waiting to hear about development of farms movement plans ,there is a council meeting this Thursday
- Little bit of upkeeping is needed before opening next year
- birthday parties were brought back last year- a few were booked in, this may be something to promote more
- Saint Paul's primary school's involvement has been great
- When it has been confirmed the farm is moving, we hope to have more involvement with a representative from Saint Paul's school
- Luis's helpers have been a great support too
- We had a lot of free school visits and free coaches with volunteers on site this year
- o There is a of interest in this every year, but we need to limit coach visits from now on
- Thank you to the shop volunteers would be great to have continued involvement from them
- Thank you to Iain our Farm Manager
- Thank you to Jeanette for her continued hard work
- Thank you to Ella for sorting out the Rota
- And thank you to Tara for her work on the website maintenance and social media

Treasurers Report:

- Income through shop has dropped, we think the sales is down due to cost of living.
- Add into this the price of animal feed was put up and we had more vet bills
- However, sales in general are up
- turnover is up from 2023
- Cove and aviary had been well maintained
- event costs equal to 5 coaches for school visits, Easter and Halloween
- Wages have cost us more this year but that's because the ages of our shop volunteers have gone up
- and insurance is up due to new tractor
- everything else is pretty much stayed the same
- interest income is up
- Net surplus = £21,378 compared to last year = £14,239
- Feedbags = £8937.00 . Money is coming back to cover cost of feed.
- Gift cards- 17 expired = loss of £340 from the farm- Handwritten cards to be used in the future to prevent this
- 10 school visits - 35 turned down due to volunteer availability-limit visits to 10 per year. And free coaches to be taken off the website
- reminder to count all the money in the till even what is in the money bags at the end of the shift.

Farm Manager:

- thank you to all the volunteers still being involved
- hoping to hear more about the move soon and to have more involvement from Saint Paul's school
- Farm diseases across the UK; Avarian flu, blue tongue- cases are dying out now so we are less at risk
- Poultry now registered to be on Vaccine schemes
- Maintenance needed around farm o materials needed ahead of spring opening.
- There was a water leak in the toilet block that needs repainting
- Plant/flower beds need repairing
- Donkeys are a little neglected. Need more involvement from the volunteers. Harrison & Jack to do Duke of Edinburgh so they will help with the farm and donkeys
- Two new pigmy goats coming tomorrow – 18 months old – paying £50 each and comes from a local farmer.
- No animals are to arrive at the farm before talking to Iain

Admin & Socials

- Updates to be made to the website to say closed until spring 2025
- Automated replies on website
- Rebranding to continue from Tara – Logo and branding guidelines

Committee members

Chairman Kim – seconded by Jeanette

Treasurer – Jeanette seconded by Kim

Trustees – Tara and Claire

Rota and shop – Ella

Secretary – Tara for this AGM

Dates for 2025

5th April 2025 – OPENING

25th October – CLOSING

Other notes;

- Team building day
- No party booking for first weekend and easter weekend
- T-shirts to be created for shop volunteers – Tara to rework Harrison and Lily's designs
- Research into keeping tortoises
- Entrance prices the same
- BBQ day event next year?
- Work parties before 2-25 opening

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CHARITY INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER

1077869

TRUSTEES

Chair:	Kim Louise Tyler
Treasurer:	Jeanette Martins
Trustee:	Claire Twomey
Trustee:	Tara Burrows

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
to the trustees of
LANGLEYBURY CHILDREN'S FARM (Charity No: 1077869)
on the accounts for the year ended 31 October 2024

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 October 2024 which are set out on pages 3 to 4.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying my examination, I have followed all 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- (i) accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (ii) the accounts do not accord with those records.

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



Antony Durrant FCA
For and on behalf of David Lindon & Co Chartered Accountants
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Date: 29 August 2025
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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
for the period 1 November 2023 to 31 October 2024

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
<i>GENERAL (UNRESTRICTED) RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS</i>				
RECEIPTS				
Income through shop		42,528		41,349
Admissions (Paypal receipts)		<u>45,951</u>		<u>45,541</u>
		88,479		86,890
Donations:		-		43
Other income:				
Playskills		-		400
Field and stabling rental		2,140		500
Other income		-		296
Receipts from investments:				
Interest		1,230		405
Total receipts		<u>91,849</u>		<u>88,534</u>
PAYMENTS				
Animal feed and vet bills		11,199		8,421
Goods for resale		13,346		13,451
Cove & Avery		104		364
Other direct expenses		504		846
Labour costs		19,969		20,636
Event costs		2,113		-
Repairs and maintenance		5,269		7,641
Equipment		778		2,910
Advertising		119		338
Shop and admin		1,735		2,485
General expenses		1,934		2,644
Insurances and utility		10,054		9,645
Accountancy fees		1,284		2,777
Health & Safety		168		214
Card processing fees		582		555
Paypal expenses		1,153		1,138
Donations and sponsorship		160		230
Total payments		<u>70,471</u>		<u>74,295</u>
Excess of Receipts over Payments		21,378		14,239
Cash funds at 1 January		95,404		81,165
Cash Funds at 31 December		<u>116,782</u>		<u>95,404</u>

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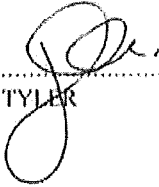
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (UNRESTRICTED) AT 31 OCTOBER 2024

CASH FUNDS	2024 £	2023 £
Barelhys Current Account	8,246	12,753
Barelhys Premium Account	107,144	81,615
Paypal	-	68
iZettle	1,392	968
Cash in Hand	-	-
	<u>116,782</u>	<u>95,404</u>

APPROVAL

These accounts were approved by the board of trustees on ...2...9...25... and are signed on their behalf by:


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KIM TYLER


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JEANETTE MARTINS