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Finance – Peter Houghton is our Treasurer

The balance for the Group as of 1st October 2026 was £603.37 which is in line with financial forecasts that were made before we invested in the new website.

Income from subscriptions has been £788 since 1st October 2025.

Expenditure since 1st October 2025 has been £1,120. The main items of expenditure were:

- 3 year licences for our website and email facility - £690
- 1 year licence for Zoom - £129
- BN annual membership - £114
- Support for annual dinner dance at Ribble Valley - £100

Membership – Peter Carden is our Membership Secretary

Membership of the Group is currently 61, made up of 9 couples and 43 individual members. We've benefited from 15 new members joining the Group in the last year. The membership at the time of the 2025 AGM was 61.

Safeguarding – Sally Harrison is our Safeguarding Officer

Sally took up the role in February of this year and has updated the safeguarding information on the Group's website.

No safeguarding incidents have been reported within the Group upto October 2026.

This year concern was raised by two members of the Group as to whether photographs where shared within the Group last year without consent, an enquiry into this was held by the Group last year and the out come was that the Group should publish a clear photo sharing policy which was put in place in 2025.

All members are asked to remember that prior permission is required from the subjects of a photograph before the picture can be shared with antoher person or posted on the WhatsApp channels or website.

The Group's safeguarding email is: safeguarding@naturistoutreachgroup.com

BN co-ordination - David Markland is our BN co-ordinator

David has attended Regional BN meetings and BN Club co-ordination meetings on our behalf.

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Group website- David Markland is our web master

David has led the development of our website and we all owe him a big Thank You for creating the Group's website using the Wordpress web design tools. The website address is www.naturistoutreachgroup.com.

In addition to the improved design and layout of the website, David has also organised the website so that other members of the committee can edit or post information to keep the website current. This issue is a key improvement for the group and overcomes our previous weakness of having only one person at a time having access to make changes to the site.

Events & Activities – Geoff Webster is our events co-ordinator

In the last 12 months Geoff has organised 10 or more events and activities for us and there's information about them on the website. At least four of these were activities hosted by members at the homes and we hope there'll be more events like that next year too. Peter Houghton is continuing the trend for us with a Pizza party at his house on 30th December.

Group Policies

Whilst the Group's year has had many good things happening in it, there have also been two issues that gave cause for concern.

The first issue related to the Group's policy on photographs posted by members on the WhatsApp channels. After much WhatsApp discussion and a monthly Zoom call focusing on the topic, the outcome is that the Management Committee is confident that the Outreach Photo Rules policy is a reasonable guide for us and should be adhered to by members. The Management Committee recognises its role in moderating the WhatsApp channels and will intervene to ask for pictures to be removed if necessary.

The second issue arose from a breakdown in our committment for mutal respect to be extended between all members. In the process of this, a complaint was raised against the Chair and we have been told by a member of the Group that they asked for the Police to investigate an issue.

The Management Committee held an enquiry into the complaint and concluded that it did not warrant a full ivestigation.

With regards to the Police investigation, the Outreach Group was not advised as to the details of the allegations made to the Police. It is understood that following initial investigation the Police found there was no case to address.

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As a result of the experience during the year the Management Committee has reviewed the Aims and Rules for Outreach policy and proposes that it is updated. The AGM is asked to approve the adoption of the revised Aims and Rules. The proposed policy is attached to this note and the significant changes are as follows:

- The Management Committee members are reminded that all the information related to members is confidential and that when members step down from the committee they are to delete copies of confidential infromation they hold.

- In addition, we have detailed the processes that need to be followed concerning confidential information held by Committee members should the Group be closed down at some point in the future.

- Regarding complaints, it's propsed that the Committee will review complaints to ascertain whether they are unreasonably persistent or vexatious in nature. If the majority of the Committee believes this to be the case the Chair may terminate the complainant's membership of the Group.

Peter Carden
Outreach Chair and Secretary
October 2026