



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' annual report (including Directors' report) for the period

From: 01/09/2024

To: 31/08/2025

Charity name: Cobtree Young Farmers

Charity registration number: 1073120

Company number: N/A

Objectives and activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To advance the education of members of the Young Farmers' Club in agriculture, home crafts, country life and related subjects and to advance the social welfare of the members by providing the facilities for recreation and fulfilling leisure time occupations. To enhance members' lives and assist in the development of their spiritual and mental wellbeing, self-reliance and individual responsibility so that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of the community.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The Club owns and rears livestock on its own farm unit. This involves the members in animal care and welfare and gives an understanding of farming and food production. Members are wholeheartedly involved in preparing and showing their animals in the public arena of agricultural shows which teaches the members dedication, organisation, communication and teamwork. This has the added value of educating and inspiring the general public about the Young Farmers and of where their food comes from. The members also have a busy programme of competition, crafts, sport and social as part of the National Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the Charity Commission guidance and are clear that the Club meets high standards of benefit to members and the public.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	

Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	<p>The club does not currently use social investment as a means of funding, but it may be considered in the future for a particular project</p> <p>if the club can demonstrate the justification of the funding and show it can make the necessary repayments</p>
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<p>Saturday, plus administration work in the evening and feeding of the clubs livestock during the week. The club also has an advisory committee which is made up of around 8 volunteers, who also give up many hours to help run the club. Parents of members and friends also contribute a number of hours around specific events and necessary maintenance projects.</p>
Other		

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>The benefit to members is immeasurable and proven in their development as young people. They grow in self-confidence and self-awareness and are able to share their knowledge in the public arena. The benefit to the wider public is tangible where the members perform at shows and events. Members come to the Club from various backgrounds, mostly from local towns and the growth of their knowledge of country matters is huge.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
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Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Income £38701.44 Grant Income £33899.00 Grant Expenditure £30356.91 Non Grant Expenditure £28084.30
	Para 1.22	Generally all money received is invested in the running of the club, its activities and agreed projects. However, the club aims to keep a small reserve to enable the club to continue for at least 6 months through any period of uncertainty
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Reserve account £12536.152
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The trustees have no concerns at this time, the club has regular income and is well managed by a team of leaders with a wide base of experience.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Members donations, Grant funding from local trusts and societies.
Investment policy and objectives including any	Para 1.46	

social investment policy adopted		
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, governance and management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document: for example, trust deed , memorandum and articles of association etc	Para 1.25	None
How is the charity constituted? for example limited company , unincorporated association , CIO	Para 1.25	Being part of the National Federation of Young Farmers Clubs, we are under the Kent Federation of YFC's constitution, as an unincorporated association. The club has its own constitution based upon the specific open club constitution provided by NFYFC.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The trustees are appointed at the annual AGM, after discussions held by the clubs advisory committee. New appointees are discussed through the advisory and in consultation with the club leader and current trustees.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	

Other		

Reference and administrative details

Charity name	Cobtree Young Farmers Club
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1073120
Charity's principal address	D. Blake (Current Treasurer) 20 Albert Street Maidstone Kent ME14 2RN

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Colin Leggat	Trustee		Cobtree Young Farmers Club
2	Philip Loveland	Trustee		Cobtree Young Farmers Club
3	Mark Essex	Trustee		Cobtree Young Farmers Club
4	Mark Johnson	Trustee	May 2025 onwards	Cobtree Young Farmers Club
5	Jill Darby	Trustee	April 2025 onwards	Cobtree Young Farmers Club
6	Andy Wilde	Trustee	January 2025 onwards	Cobtree Young Farmers Club
7	Dena Blake	Trustee	October 2025 onwards	Cobtree Young Farmers Club
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name	

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (optional information)

Club President – John Norris
Club Leader – Mark Essex
Treasure – Dena Blake moving to Andy Wilde
Club Secretary – Georgie Luck
Safe Guarding Officer – Jill Darby

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Other optional information

Declarations

The company has taken advantage of the small companies' exemption in preparing the report above.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report (including directors' report) above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees/directors

Signature(s)

P. Loveland

Full name(s)

Philip Loveland

Position (for example Secretary, Chair, etc)

Trustee

Date

11.10.2025

Current (card) Account IN
82010412

Month	Balance
September 01.09.24	362.94
October	
November	
December	
January	
February	
March	
April	
May	
June	
July	
August	
	287.32
Totals	

Current (card) Account OUT

Month	Balance
September	362.94
October	
November	
December	
January	
February	
March	
April	
May	
June	
July	
August 31.08.25	
	287.32

completed 28.09.25

From Membership Donations A/c End 285

1450
250
2260.57
1100
1000
1151
980
640
1100
2234.11
325
1250

£13,740.68

Farmacy/Viovet/Crovect/Tanner/Holmfield/Animalscans/Barkersanimalhealth

204.1

**84
160.03**

219.02

£667.15

From Reserve A/c End 337	N/A	Meat Sales
750		178.97
4736.65		27
1040		
350		
3075		
580		
300		
2600		
3550.16		
2000		
2074		
£21,055.81	£0.00	£205.97



Lillico Attlee	Speedgate	McVeigh Parker/West Country
522.6		
472.99		
557.29	180	
485.08	180	
354.05	220	
333.35		
537.22	240	
637.71	220	
789.93	220	
873.12	260	801.16
904.22		45
511.53	285	
£6,979.09	£1,805.00	£846.16

Live Stock	Company Scheme Donations	N/A
350		
175	301.82	
770		
	305	
	71.13	
350		
500		
£2,145.00	£677.95	£0.00

Shearer/Scanner/Tags	Shows/Christmas Party/Meetings	Materials
	160.86	219.74
	245	96.69
	122.2	84.08
		42
60	40.14	14.99
62.4	27.36	
150.86		54
	38.6	
	184.49	442.69
	497.81	
	217.92	
£273.26	£1,534.38	954.19

N/A	Uniform	Shows/Prize Money
		140
	696.57	
		45
	60	
	36.93	
	400	
£0.00	£1,193.50	£185.00

Farm Insurance (NFU)	Grant Spend	To 82020337
148.82	749.99	
1525.85	1654	
	1040	770
		305
	2975	
		1000
		2447
	20304	7000
	2409.92	
27.39	1224	300
1702.06	30356.91	11822

Easy Fund Raising/Donations (Mark E)

300
350
319.28
600

300
1329.31
300
600

300
300

£4,698.59

Gift Aid

2447.2

£2,447.20

Vets - West Point

15
15
453.99
15
15
136.19
15
222.02
885.54
379.97
15
251.02

2418.73

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190

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N/A	N/A	Grants	Cash Depoist
		26000	
			100
£0.00	£0.00	£26,000.00	£100.00
Leggat Farming (cake)	Boar/Bull Rental	Fallen Livestock (Offens)	Uniform
			1892.58
551.6		60	
350			190.5
		72	
	400		300.11
371			
1272.6	400	132	2383.19

Pay backs/Misc/Rejected Payments Subs into wrong account

946.32

£946.32

£0.00

Haylage / Lovejoy/Various

856

516

516

516

548

205

315

607.5

4079.5

Butchers (ken Ballard)

118.32

113.82

232.14

Total Monthly

£3,168.97

£5,840.47

£6,032.74

£1,700.00

£1,655.00

£4,571.00

£2,889.31

£29,818.33

£4,300.00

£6,171.20

£3,525.00

£3,724.00

£73,396.02

73758.96

Kent Levy KCFYFC/Membership/Tshirts

1382.65

715

2097.65

Livestock Trans

50

50

384

484

Money Paid Out

76.08

209.98

76.56

107.98

18

34.69

523.29

To 81605285	British Gas/YU Energy	Fuel/Tractor/Tyres	Showtime Supplies	Total Monthly
	67.2	88.97		£3,023.58
	91.14			£5,807.12
154.74	90.72			£6,065.70
	63.75	48.81		£1,460.64
	75.08			£2,278.42
	110.75			£4,193.05
	123.44			£2,974.00
	161.57	45.8		£4,139.10
	71.11			£29,393.18
31.5	80.68	94.93	658.74	£7,112.03
100	82.83			£3,555.75
	76.58			£3,469.07
286.24	1094.85	278.51	658.74	£73,471.64

Balance Sheet

2023-2024

£362.94
£656.45
£12,536.13
£46.52

£13,602.04

2024-2025

Current Account 287.32
Sub/Membership Account 243.06
Reserve Account 18233.79
Petty Cash 119.6

18883.77

Year end (31st August 2024)

2023-2024

£10,625.00
£2,863.68
£1,710.53
£4,055.47
£500
£220
£10,400
£5,980.34
£710.00
£666.44
-
£70.32
£70.00

£37,871.78

Income

Membership Donations 13850
Gift Aid 2447.2
Company Scheme Donations 677.95
Other Donations 13144.59
Shows Donations (Edenbridge) 1000
Show Prize Money 185
Grants 33899
Sale of Livestock 6481.25
Sale of Meat 670.97
Refunds 0
Insurance Claim 0
Interest all accounts 144.48
General Misc/Cash Deposit 100

72600.44

2023-2024

£1,449.36
£2,665.77
£1,848.89
£344.92
£80.00

£914.30
£874.75
£6,182.64
£5,472.00
£145.07
£1,475.41
£48.00

£1,843.55

Expenditure (out)

Insurance 1702.06
National & County Levy/Membership 1382.65
Electricity 1094.85
Grant Spend 30356.91
Subs refund 0

Purchase of Livestock & Rental 400
Animal feed Cake (cows) 1272.6
Lillico (sheep & Pigs emergency cows) 6979.09
Straw/Hay/Haylage 5884.5
Sheep Shearing/Scanning 273.26
Animal Welfare/Vet/Medicine 3085.88
Fallen Livestock 132
Butchers 232.14
Materials 1800.35

£484.58	Tractor/Fuel/etc	278.51
£720.00	Countrystyle/skips/Cespit	190
£966.48	Purchase of Equipment	658.74
£1,513.73	Shows Food etc inc club show/Rosettes	1500.38
£210.00	Toilet Hire for shows	210
£564.00	Transport Livestock	484
£3,217.00	Monies Paid Out (& Own cattle)	523.29
£31,020.45		58441.21

Summary

2023-2024

	Income	
£10,400.00	Grant Income	33899
£27,471.78	Non-Grant Income	38701.44

Expenditure during 2024-2025

£344.92	Grant Expenditure	30356.91
£30,675.53	Non-Grant Expenditure	28084.3

Jill Darby

 11.10.25

Trustees

port of the Independent Examiner

I have examined the attached Financial Statement for the year ended 31st August 2025.
These statements have been prepared from the books and records of The Cobtree Young
Farmers Club and are a true reflection of the affairs of the club at that date.

Hayley Brook 04/12/25

