

UK CONTROLLED ENVIRONMENT USER'S GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 1108721

Details

Other names UK CEUG

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2005-03-24

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: C.1. TO ADVANCE EDUCATION FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC IN MATTERS RELATING TO THE TECHNICAL AND SCIENTIFIC ASPECTS OF THE MANAGEMENT AND USE OF CONTROLLED ENVIRONMENTS FOR PLANTS, INVERTEBRATE ANIMALS AND ECOSYSTEMS AND TO PROMOTE THE STUDY AND RESEARCH OF THOSE SUBJECTS PROVIDED THAT THE USEFUL RESULTS OF THE STUDY AND RESEARCH ARE DISSEMINATED TO THE PUBLIC.

Activities: The charity organises local and international CE meetings and offers a limited number of bursary awards to help with attendance. It provides a pool of experts on controlled environment construction, use and management for organisations who request it. The charity loans out an instrument package for calibrating light sensors. The charity provides training, guidance and workshops on CE operation.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED. IN PRACTICE EUROPE.
- Ireland
- Scotland
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-07-31	£25,350	£22,400	-	-
2024-07-31	£18,723	£12,241	-	-
2023-07-31	£24,273	£21,518	-	-
2022-07-31	£28,794	£17,782	-	-
2021-07-31	£7,264	£6,400	-	-
2020-07-31	£18,804	£13,737	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
GARRY KENNETH TAYLOR		
GEOFF HOLROYD		
JULIAN FRANKLIN		
Jason Daff		2022-09-06
MR B ROBERTSON		2016-09-05
Paul Scott		2022-09-06
Rebecca Cordy		2022-09-06
Robert Darby		2024-06-20
Stephen Andrews		2024-09-03

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Annual General Meeting
9th September 2025
NIAB, East Malling, Kent



Chair's Report

First, I'd like to thank Scott Raffle for offering to host and then bringing together this meeting here at NIAB in East Malling. We've already heard about some of the projects and challenges being addressed and tomorrow we will see some of the activities being carried out in the various facilities on site. This is alongside the opportunity to catch up with the latest technology from our commercial members.

Looking back on last year's meeting at NIAB in Cambridge, my thanks to Ben Tea for delivering a successful and informative meeting that provoked some great discussion. I'd also like to thank him for striking the deal with Scott to allow us to be here this year.

Looking forward we have the international meeting in Edinburgh next year for which plans are steadily developing. As an international meeting that will run from the evening of 6th September through to mid-afternoon on the 9th. The extended period provides the opportunity to visit both Edinburgh University and the James Hutton Institute. My thanks to all those who are involved in bringing that together.

Looking further ahead we have recently secured Oxford for the 2027 meeting where a new building and facilities have just been completed.

The International meetings involve liaising with our colleagues in North America (NCERA 101) and in Australasia (ACEWG) and I'm pleased to say we have recently re-connected with colleagues in Australia after a quiet period which resulted from long standing colleagues retiring. I'm also very pleased to say we have ACEWG members here today.

The CEUG has been running since 1966 and its longevity and success is underpinned by the dedicated support from the Executive Committee. Our Executive not only make things happen to sustain the CEUG but there is a constant drive to improve and ensure the CEUG's integrity. We have seen an increased diversity within our membership and one aspect that has needed careful consideration by the Executive is to provide a code of conduct for all members to ensure the ethos and expectations of the Group are upheld. Equally, keeping our meetings affordable in this world of full economic costing and reduced budgets is important to ensure our members continue to be able to attend. The Executive committee are key in addressing and delivering these and other challenges. On behalf of the membership, I would like to express my thanks and appreciation to the members of our Executive Committee.

Our members are what makes the CEUG so I would like to thank you all for your continued support. The JISCMAIL continues to be an active forum for providing guidance, expertise and sharing of experiences between members. It is a great resource of expertise especially for new members.

Please do promote the CEUG within your institutions so that the membership continues to grow and other colleagues may benefit from this wealth of experience.

Our commercial members are integral to allowing the CEUG to operate in the way it does and I would like to thank them for the continued support both financially and in actively engaging with the membership. Their presence is central to how we operate so please do take time during the meeting to engage with them and visit their stands to discover what the sector has to offer. Commercial membership has grown and diversified recently, clearly demonstrating the value the sector sees in the group. As new members have joined this has presented a challenge in ensuring everyone is aware of the code of conduct especially in not using JISCMail for direct selling. Our commercial members have always embraced the fact our JISCMail encourages commercial participation with respect to expertise and experience whilst removing sales from the equation ensures a level playing field and a more harmonious and amicable resource. To reassure our commercial members the Executive have and are taking steps to ensure all commercial members are reminded of the etiquette in using JISCMail.

Finally, I would like to thank you all for attending this AGM.

Geoff Holroyd

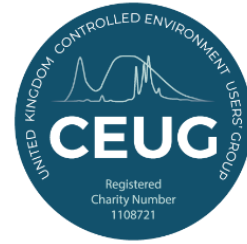
CEUG Chair

9 September 2025

UK CEUG

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 9th September 2025



UK CEUG: 2025 Secretary's Report

Introduction

At last year's AGM Julian Franklin was re-elected and the membership elected Stephen Andrews back to the exec committee.

Incoll Bursaries - *this year we awarded 2 bursaries to:*

Rob Darby Aberystwyth University

Finlay McLeod James Hutton

This has enabled them to attend the conference with the support of the UK CEUG, all coming from Support functions, who often don't get the funding to attend events in the same way that their academic colleagues do. I believe that one of the great strengths of the UK CEUG is that it has a good mix of members from different backgrounds and gives the opportunity for knowledge updates and networking to a broad and diverse group of people. This is one of our main objectives as a charitable organisation and making bursaries available is a very good way to further that aim.

Summary

As mentioned in previous meetings, the guidance is now at the point where it requires editing into a usable format – this is still ongoing.

Another of the Executive Committee's tasks this year has been to continue to improve our compliance policies and procedures, including those for liability insurance, health and safety, codes of conduct, data protection (GDPR) and equality, diversity and inclusion (EDI). Garry has carried on leading this vital work, producing compliance checklists, accessibility checklists and UKCEUG logo compliance rules for members to name a few. I would like to thank Garry for his superb work on this.

Recent Meetings

I. NIAB, Park Farm, Cambridge & Girton College Cambridge

Sustainability through Innovation

The meeting was held at the Niab's Park farm site. This year's conference Dinner was held at Girton College and Day two included a tour of their Vertical Farm, Pathology Growth Chambers & Glasshouse Facilities. As usual a big thank you goes to Ben Tea (local organiser) and his colleagues for putting on such an enjoyable and successful event.

Future Meetings

<i>Date</i>	<i>Venue</i>	<i>Comments</i>
<i>Sept. 2025</i>	<i>NIAB (Kent)</i>	<i>Local Organiser – Scott Raffle</i>
<i>Sept. 2026</i>	<i>Edinburgh</i>	<i>International Meeting</i>
<i>Sept. 2027</i>	<i>Oxford</i>	<i>Local Organiser – Eric Belfield</i>
<i>Sept. 2028</i>	<i>TBC</i>	<i>TBC</i>

Communications

1. 'UK-CEUG' JISCMail List

JISCMail continues to be used widely, during the last year there were 99 posts. Further details can be found appended to this report.

2. Website

The use of the website continues to develop. One area, which we intend to develop further, is to restrict more content only to members. This will allow us to include more detailed and useful information without having the concern that the content will be publicly available. As mentioned before, any suggestions for new applications and improvements are always welcome.

3. Facebook

We continue to have a presence on Facebook with both a page and a group. Posts on our page automatically appear in the 'Latest News' section of the website. If anyone has any potential posts related to CE then please send them to the Secretary who will vet them and if appropriate, arrange for them to be 'shared' on our Facebook page. This helps keeps the Facebook page and website looking fresh.

Membership

The process of tidying up the membership list has progressed a little over the last year. We still need another volunteer to assist Stephen in keeping on top of this task to validate the membership list. If you know any members that are no longer involved with the group, please contact us so we can remove from the database and JISCmail lists.

This year we have had 23 new members join.(05/09/25)

To conclude

I would again like to give my thanks to all for their continued support & guidance in my 3rd year in this role. I would also like to thank my employer, The John Innes Centre, for their support for both myself and the UK CEUG activities in general.

Rebecca Cordy

5th Sept 2025

APPENDIX 1 – JISCmail activity 2024/5

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03/02/20 25	a.hunter@IMPERIAL.AC.UK	Re: Tissue Culture Lab
03/02/20 25	eric.belfield@BIOLOGY.OX.AC.UK	Booking/cross-charging facilities
03/02/20 25	Koehl@MPIMP-GOLM.MPG.DE	Re: Booking/cross-charging facilities
03/02/20 25	A.Jones18@EXETER.AC.UK	Costing for external users
06/02/20 25	Benjamin.Tea@NIAB.COM	Supplementary Lights for Rice (Winter)
06/02/20 25	Koehl@MPIMP-GOLM.MPG.DE	Re: Supplementary Lights for Rice (Winter)
06/02/20 25	fiona.gilzean@ROTHAMSTED.AC.UK	Re: Supplementary Lights for Rice (Winter)
06/02/20 25	jason.daff@YORK.AC.UK	Re: Supplementary Lights for Rice (Winter)
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06/02/20 25	tim@TCEELECTRICAL.COM	Re: Supplementary Lights for Rice (Winter)
28/02/20 25	F.Duvenage@GREENWICH.AC.UK	NRI University of Greenwich - Vacancy Bulletin No 1709
10/03/20 25	a.hunter@IMPERIAL.AC.UK	soil, DEFRA licences and visits, vineyards, hops..... University Bioscience Managers' Association Conference 9-11 April
13/03/20 25	Peter.Watson@WARWICK.AC.UK	Fitotron SGC 120 Growth Chamber
13/03/20 25	penny.turner@SYNGENTA.COM	Re: Fitotron SGC 120 Growth Chamber
13/03/20 25	nab59@CAM.AC.UK	Re: Fitotron SGC 120 Growth Chamber

18/03/20 25	Peter.Watson@WARWICK.AC.U K	Re: Fitotron SGC 120 Growth Chamber
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02/05/20 25	jason.daff@YORK.AC.UK	Compact Vertical Farm - for spares and repairs
20/05/20 25	helen.roberts@BRISTOL.AC.UK	disinfectants
12/06/20 25	helen.roberts@BRISTOL.AC.UK	reach in seed cabinet
12/06/20 25	helen.roberts@BRISTOL.AC.UK	seed traps
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13/06/20 25	Koehl@MPIMP-GOLM.MPG.DE	Re: seed traps
13/06/20 25	Rory.Hayden@WARWICK.AC.UK	Re: reach in seed cabinet
19/06/20 25	k.e.duffell@BHAM.AC.UK	Cat 2 Greenhouse Temperatures
24/06/20 25	jason.daff@YORK.AC.UK	Job Vacancy - UK Vegetable Genebank at Warwick
25/06/20 25	Benjamin.Tea@NIAB.COM	Plessey Hyperion 415V (For Sale?)
25/06/20 25	tim@TCEELECTRICAL.COM	Re: Plessey Hyperion 415V (For Sale?)
01/07/20 25	Alice@KYOMEI.CO.UK	Walk in/ large plant growth chamber
01/07/20 25	eric.belfield@BIOLOGY.OX.AC.U K	Re: Walk in/ large plant growth chamber
01/07/20 25	tony.walker@EBTECHGLASSHO USES.CO.UK	Re: Walk in/ large plant growth chamber

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01/08/2024

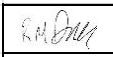
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Period end date
31/07/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
2023 Aberystwyth Conference	-	-	-	-	5,888
2024 NIAB Conference	5,560	-	-	5,560	9,592
2025 NIAB Conference	9,580	-	-	9,580	-
Trade Stands	-	-	-	-	-
Commercial Membership	9,958	-	-	9,958	2,939
Bank Interest	253	-	-	253	107
Travel refund	-	-	-	-	77
Light package	-	-	-	-	120
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	25,350	-	-	25,350	18,723
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	25,350	-	-	25,350	18,723
A3 Payments					
2023 Aberystwyth Conference		-	-	-	7,850
2023 Aberystwyth meeting - committee costs		-	-	-	303
NAIB meeting deposit		-	-	-	2,376
2024 Delegate refund	195	-	-	195	
2024 NIAB Conference	15,980	-	-	15,980	
2025 NIAB Conference	845	-	-	845	
2025 Edinburgh meeting deposit	2,500	-	-	2,500	
Stationary and postage	-	-	-	-	117
Exec meeting	1,460	-	-	1,460	504
Design Monkey	1,136	-	-	1,136	790
Insurance	284	-	-	284	274
Account audit	-	-	-	-	29
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	22,400	-	-	22,400	12,241
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	22,400	-	-	22,400	12,241
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,950	-	-	2,950	6,482
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	61,621	-	-	61,621	55,139
Cash funds this year end	64,571	-	-	64,571	61,621

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank Account: Central	15,780	-	-
	Bank Account: Conference	26,235	-	-
	Bank Account: Savings	22,557	-	-
	Total cash funds	64,571	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Light Package	Central	-	90
	Spectrometer #1	Central	-	1,000
	Spectrometer #2	Central	-	300
	Spectrometer #3 (UV) & sensors	Central	-	3,494
	270 Glasshouse guideline booklets		-	270
			-	-
			-	-
		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name		Date of approval
		Robert Darby		18/05/2026



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of UK CONTROLLED ENVIRONMENT USER'S GROUP

On accounts for the year ended 31st July, 2025 Charity no (if any) 1108721

Set out on pages 18 and 19

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

Responsibilities and basis of report As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: [Signature] Date: 18/05/2026

Name: MICHAEL EGAN LRB AC11

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

UK CONTROLLED ENVIRONMENT USER'S GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1108721

Accounts

**UK CEUG
Annual General Meeting
6th September 2022
Agenda Item 5**



UK CEUG: 2022 Secretary's Report

Introduction

Shortly after last year's conference at Sutton Bonington the committee were informed by the University of Sheffield that they were no longer in a position to host the 2022 meeting as planned. This was extremely disappointing news and threw our plans completely into disarray. We had rapidly moved from the situation of having host venues confirmed for 2-3 years in the future, to one of having to find a venue and arrange a conference in under 12 months. After putting some feelers out to contacts at potential organisations, the University of Birmingham quickly expressed an interest in hosting this year's conference and I must say that I am very much looking forward to what promises to be an interesting mix of talks, tours and great facilities.

It is encouraging to see so many Incoll Bursaries awarded this year, with 7 people in total attending the conference with the support of the UK CEUG. I think I am correct in saying that all of these people are from Support functions, who often don't get the funding to attend events in the same way that their academic colleagues do. I believe that one of the great strengths of the UK CEUG is that it has a good mix of members from different backgrounds and gives the opportunity for knowledge updates and networking to a broad and diverse group of people. This is one of our main objectives as a charitable organisation and making bursaries available is a very good way to further that aim.

Summary

The 6th International CE Meeting in Tucson Arizona starts on the 11th September. Fortunately, the new dates did not clash with our UK conference but it does make it a busy time for those of us attending both events. As hoped, it looks like a fair number of people from the UK will be going, which should help reassure our NCERA-101 and ACEWG colleagues that we are still enthusiastic about continuing the cycle of international meetings. The UK is due to host the next one, which following the pre-pandemic cycle of every 4 years, would be in 2026.

In last year's report I mentioned the project to produce some guidance on the understanding, formulation and writing of technical specifications for CE requirements. This work has progressed well during the later part of 2021 and the early part of this year under the direction of Jason and Garry but has recently taken a back seat to other priorities. These include organising this year's conference and our research into the use of PAR Quantum Sensors for LEDs (more about that later). The specification writing guidance is almost complete but needs to be pulled together into an accessible reference document/format, which I would anticipate happening by the middle of next year.

Another of the Executive Committee's tasks this year has been to improve our compliance policies and procedures, including those for liability insurance, health and safety, codes of conduct, data protection (GDPR) and equality, diversity and inclusion (EDI). Garry has been leading on this and has spent many hours that he will never get back, in discussions with a number of companies to find a policy that meets our needs. We have added a new agenda item at the AGM this year for compliance issues and Garry will be able to give a bit more detail about what we have done. It may not be as interesting as CEs but good governance is essential to the health and sustainability of the group.

I mentioned earlier the research into the use of PAR Quantum Sensor for LEDs. The UK CEUG are sponsoring a 10-week studentship at the University of York over the summer. Undergraduate student, Ella Carsley is investigating the responses of PAR Quantum sensors when measuring LED emissions from a range of proprietary luminaires and how these compare to plant growth outputs. Unfortunately, Ella cannot attend the meeting at Birmingham but will be sharing her results in the form of a poster on the UK CEUG stand. Jason Daff the project supervisor will also be on hand to answer any questions.

Recent Meetings

University of Nottingham – Sutton Bonington; ‘Model Crops & Beyond’

The meeting was held at the University of Nottingham’s Sutton Bonington campus. The lecture theatre, accommodation and refreshment areas were all within walking distance of each other and lunch was served ‘al fresco’ under a large canopied area. Thanks to the good weather this was also used for the AGM at the end of the first day. The talks were interesting, varied and presented by people who either worked at or had a close association with the Sutton Bonington site. The Conference Dinner was held on the Great Central Railway and will go down as one of the all-time great CEUG Dinner venues. Day two included a tour of the local facilities which dovetailed nicely with the talks given on the previous day. This was the first large event held at Sutton Bonington post pandemic and it definitely felt as if things were finally getting back to normal. As usual a big thank you goes to the local organisers of Mark Meacham, Catherine Tomlinson and their colleagues for putting on such an enjoyable and successful event.

Future Meetings

Date	Venue	Comments
11 th -14 th Sept. 2022	University of Arizona, Tucson	International Meeting organised by NCERA-101.
Sept. 2023	University of Aberystwyth	Local organiser Rob Darby
Sept. 2024	Any volunteers?	?

Communications

1. 'UK-CEUG' JISCMail List

JISCMail continues to be used widely, during the last year there were over 60 posts. Further details can be found appended to this report.

2. Website

The use of the website continues to develop. One area, which we intend to develop further, is to restrict more content only to members. This will allow us to include more detailed and useful information without having the concern that the content will be publicly available. As mentioned before, any suggestions for new applications and improvements are always welcome.

3. Facebook

We continue to have a presence on Facebook with both a page and a group. Posts on our page automatically appear in the ‘Latest News’ section of the website. If anyone has any potential posts related to CE then please send them to the Secretary who will vet them and if appropriate, arrange for them to be ‘shared’ on our Facebook page. This helps keeps the Facebook page and website looking fresh.

Membership

The process of tidying up the membership list has still not progressed much over the last year. However, Ben Fidgett and myself have met up and agreed a plan of action to validate the membership list. The Executive Committee has also provided feedback on listed members that they know are no longer involved with the group, so these will now be removed from the database and JISCmail lists. This year we have had 26 new members join, including three new commercial members (LettUs Grow, TCE Electrical and Grobotic Systems).

To conclude

I have now served continuously on the Executive Committee for over 11 years and in the role of Secretary since 2016. The role has expanded over the last few years to encompass the development and maintenance of the website, including adding and updating membership details. I have therefore decided not to put myself forward for re-election for the Executive Committee this year when I step down. Hopefully this will give someone new the opportunity to take on the Secretary role. I will still be available to be co-opted onto the committee to help with the website and other tasks as required.

It has been a pleasure to serve on the committee over the years and to represent the UK CEUG, both nationally and internationally. Thank you to all of the committee members who I have worked with during that time, some of whom are sadly no longer with us. I wish my successor the best of luck in the future and assure them that I will still be around to give advice if needed.

As usual, I would also like to thank my employer, The Sainsbury Laboratory Cambridge for their support for both myself and the UK CEUG activities in general.

Stephen Andrews

1th September 2022

APPENDIX 1 – JISCmail activity 2021/22

Date	Details
15/10/2021 15:00	Use of peat free compost.
15/10/2021 15:23	Re: Use of peat free compost.
15/10/2021 15:23	Re: Use of peat free compost.
15/10/2021 15:43	Re: Use of peat free compost.
15/10/2021 16:33	Re: Use of peat free compost.
18/10/2021 13:28	Re: Use of peat free compost.
18/10/2021 13:45	Re: Use of peat free compost.
25/10/2021 10:21	Re: Use of peat free compost.
02/11/2021 12:12	Azolla filiculoides
02/11/2021 12:44	Re: Azolla filiculoides
02/11/2021 13:04	Re: Azolla filiculoides
10/11/2021 12:53	Plant Growth Facilities Manager post- Exeter
19/11/2021 09:20	CE Jobs
01/12/2021 13:10	Pesticides used in containment facilities
01/12/2021 13:27	Re: Pesticides used in containment facilities
03/12/2021 07:32	Hiring for a Vertical Farm R&D facility manager position
03/12/2021 09:10	Supplementary lighting
09/12/2021 11:09	small scale soil steriliser
15/12/2021 08:58	FW: BICrop post doc advert
10/01/2022 17:29	Automated watering system/ easy changing height shelving units
10/01/2022 19:30	Re: Automated watering system/ easy changing height shelving units
11/01/2022 08:36	Re: Automated watering system/ easy changing height shelving units
18/01/2022 08:51	Job opportunity at the Crop Science Centre - University of Cambridge
19/01/2022 16:33	Can anyone recommend a batch effluent steriliser for waste water?
26/01/2022 11:33	General Question any advice welcome planning to build replacement Research Greenhouse facility in Cardiff
31/01/2022 13:00	Vacancy at Trinity College Dublin
02/02/2022 10:30	Outreach
04/02/2022 08:03	Re: Job opportunity at the Crop Science Centre - University of Cambridge
17/02/2022 16:01	LED light consideration for plant Virology work
17/02/2022 16:38	Re: LED light consideration for plant Virology work
17/02/2022 18:28	Re: LED light consideration for plant Virology work
18/02/2022 10:08	Re: LED light consideration for plant Virology work
21/02/2022 10:36	Re: LED light consideration for plant Virology work
21/02/2022 16:23	Re: LED lighting to replace fluorescent tubes in Growth Facilities
21/02/2022 16:50	Re: LED lighting to replace fluorescent tubes in Growth Facilities
21/02/2022 17:57	Re: LED lighting to replace fluorescent tubes in Growth Facilities
21/02/2022 19:47	Re: LED lighting to replace fluorescent tubes in Growth Facilities
22/02/2022 10:30	Re: LED lighting to replace fluorescent tubes in Growth Facilities
23/02/2022 10:01	Re: LED lighting to replace fluorescent tubes in Growth Facilities
01/03/2022 19:47	Re: LED light consideration for plant Virology work
03/03/2022 14:07	Far red LED fixtures
03/03/2022 20:52	Re: [UK-CEUG] Far red LED fixtures
10/03/2022 14:28	HOOGENDOORN TRAINING
10/03/2022 15:14	Re: HOOGENDOORN TRAINING
10/03/2022 15:22	Root washing stations
10/03/2022 16:39	Re: Root washing stations
26/06/2022 13:04	CEUG meetings in 2022, tickets and bursaries
13/07/2022 16:12	Re: [External] [UK-CEUG] CEUG meetings in 2022, tickets and bursaries
13/07/2022 16:17	Re: [External] [UK-CEUG] CEUG meetings in 2022, tickets and bursaries
09/08/2022 18:33	CEUG meeting 2022, tickets available.
09/08/2022 19:12	Re: CEUG meeting 2022, tickets available.
10/08/2022 08:57	Re: CEUG meeting 2022, tickets available.
10/08/2022 09:03	Re: CEUG meeting 2022, tickets available.
15/08/2022 09:31	Flower Sleeve Suppliers for Arabidopsis Containment
15/08/2022 09:54	Re: Flower Sleeve Suppliers for Arabidopsis Containment
15/08/2022 09:58	Re: Flower Sleeve Suppliers for Arabidopsis Containment
15/08/2022 09:59	Re: Flower Sleeve Suppliers for Arabidopsis Containment
15/08/2022 10:06	Re: Flower Sleeve Suppliers for Arabidopsis Containment
15/08/2022 11:07	Re: Flower Sleeve Suppliers for Arabidopsis Containment
15/08/2022 12:26	Re: Flower Sleeve Suppliers for Arabidopsis Containment
15/08/2022 12:42	Re: Flower Sleeve Suppliers for Arabidopsis Containment
15/08/2022 16:57	Re: Invitation to CEA 1 day conference at University of Plymouth
15/08/2022 17:08	Re: Invitation to CEA 1 day conference at University of Plymouth
17/08/2022 16:15	Final chance to attend CEUG 2022 in Birmingham
27/08/2022 21:48	2022 UK CEUG Meeting and AGM



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

UK Controlled Environment Users' Group

1108721

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

01-Aug-21

To

31-Jul-22

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
2021 Nottingham Conference	8,081	-	-	8,081	-
2022 Birmingham Conference	6,879	-	-	6,879	-
Trade Stands	6,800	-	-	6,800	-
Commercial Membership	7,110	-	-	7,110	6,991
Light Package	120	-	-	120	270
Bank Interest	4	-	-	4	3
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	28,794	-	-	28,794	7,264
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	28,794	-	-	28,794	7,264
A3 Payments					
2021 Nottingham Conference	6,364	-	-	6,364	5,754
2022 Birmingham Conference	-	-	-	-	-
Conference Bursaries (Nottingham)	434	-	-	434	-
Conference Bursaries (USA)	689	-	-	689	-
Printing, Stationery & Website	1,277	-	-	1,277	479
UV meter & sensor purchase	3,484	-	-	3,484	-
Governance: meetings & insurance	2,282	-	-	2,282	43
"Light" Studentship (University of York)	3,250	-	-	3,250	-
Webinars	-	-	-	-	124
Bank fees	12	-	-	12	-
Sub total	17,782	-	-	17,782	6,400
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	17,782	-	-	17,782	6,400
Net of receipts/(payments)	11,012	-	-	11,012	864
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	41,371	-	-	41,371	40,507
Cash funds this year end	52,383	-	-	52,383	41,371

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank Account : Central	18,669	-	-
	Bank Account: Conference	23,544	-	-
	Bank Account: Savings	10,170	-	-
	Total cash funds	52,383	-	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

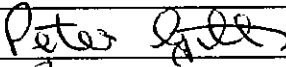
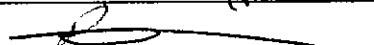
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B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Light Package	Central	-	90
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				-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Peter Gill	28/12/22
	Rebecca Cordy	01/03/23



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

UK Controlled Environment Users' Committee

On accounts for the year ended

30TH JULY 2022

Charity no (if any)

1108721

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

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Signed:

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