DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1134414

Details

Other names	DCRT
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	06618848
Registered	2010-02-22
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: (A) UNDERTAKE, ADVISE UPON, CREATE, CONSERVE AND SUPPORT USE, MANAGEMENT,CONSERVATION, PROTECTION, REHABILITATION, IMPROVEMENT OF AND COMMUNITY BENEFITSFROM THE RIVERS, STREAMS, WATERCOURSES, WATER IMPOUNDMENT'S AND OTHER AQUATICENVIRONMENTS OF THE CATCHMENTS COMPRISING THE RIVERS DON, ROTHER AND DEARNE'INCLUDING THEIR TRIBUTARIES AND ADJACENT ESTUARINE AND COASTAL AREAS(B) ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC, OR ANY ASSOCIATION, CHARITY, LOCAL AUTHORITY,ADMINISTRATIVE OR GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY OR PUBLIC BODY OR REPRESENTATIVE BODY IN,(1) THE UNDERSTANDING OF RIVERS, RIVER CORRIDORS AND CATCHMENTS, INCLUDING THEIRFAUNA, FLORA AND ECONOMIC OR SOCIAL ACTIVITY, AND RIVER CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT,(2) THE NEED FOR, AND BENEFITS OF, CONSERVATION, PROTECTION, REHABILITATION ANDIMPROVEMENT OF AQUATIC ENVIRONMENTS, AND(3) THE BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITY OF EFFECTIVE AND COMPETENT MANAGEMENTAND USE OF RIVER CATCHMENTS

Activities: The Trust was formed to promote good practice in the conservation and improvement to the habitats of the rivers, wetlands and water bodies within the catchments of the rivers Don, Rother and Dearne.

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Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Education/training, Amateur Sport, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** THE RIVERS DON, ROTHER AND DEARNE'
- Barnsley
- Derbyshire
- Doncaster
- Rotherham
- Sheffield City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-06-30	£623,375	£625,845	£263,750	13
2024-06-30	£649,260	£755,350	£398,828	13
2023-06-30	£649,260	£755,350	£398,828	10
2022-06-30	£857,361	£535,156	£775,901	10
2021-06-30	£481,670	£367,555	-	-

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Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DAVID WILLIAM ROWLEY	Chair	
Andrew James Newton		2015-06-01
CHRISTOPHER JOHN FIRTH MBE		
Carys Hutton		2019-02-01
Dr Paul Nicholas Gaskell		2019-04-01
Dr William Brown		2015-06-01
Peter Worrall		2015-06-01
Robert Sedgwick		2015-06-01
Simon Paul Firth		2022-02-15

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England & Wales - Charity number 1134414

Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 06618848 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1134414

DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

Bradbury & Co

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

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The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Trust had five key objectives

1. Create additional wetlands & washlands along the rivers. To enable the rivers to better absorb water at time of flooding and to provide connectivity to enable wildlife to flourish.
2. Improve fish passage. A WFD requirement to allow the free passage of migratory and natural movement of non-migratory fish up and down the rivers.
3. Improve access for people to the river. We want to see people reconnected with their rivers.
4. Re-naturalize river channels. Extensive canalisation has been undertaken throughout the catchment adversely impacting on its ecology.
5. Promote improved water quality & diffuse pollution control. This remains the greatest threat to the ecology of our rivers.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Trust has revised the way it considers its operation. Rather than the project oriented approach it has used so far it has restructured its work to a workstream basis. The structure of the Trust operationally will now be on a workstream basis.

In future all reporting of the Trust both externally and internally will be against these workstreams:

- River Restoration
- Working with Nature
- Land Management
- People & Communities
- Working Together
- Evidence & Monitoring

RIVER RESTORATION:

In March 2025 DCRT continued its commitment to improving fish passage in the catchment by removing two small weirs on the River Hipper in Somersall Park, Chesterfield. Continuing on from previous work at Salmon Pastures, the Trust installed large boulders in the River Don to improve the habitat for fish and carried out large woody debris installation in the Moss Brook. Annual inspections and maintenance of the Trust's fish passes continued, in collaboration with other groups and volunteers.

In June 2024 the Trust's Fishery Habitat Officer completed his Fishery Management Diploma, and he had opportunities to promote DCRT's work through fish pass walks, school visits and contributing to the River Trust podcast, speaking about salmon and fish passage.

The Trust is now a delivery partner for 'Great Yorkshire Rivers', and the Trust has been working up proposals to submit to the enabling fund and core fund to further it's work on fish passage in the Don Catchment. In the All Hands on the Don project, work continues to progress the conservation restoration scheme at Great Ings and Sprotbrough Ings, and to install a fish friendly flap valve.

WORKING WITH NATURE

During this financial year, DCRT continued the maintenance of existing Natural Flood Management (NFM) interventions that were previously delivered on volunteer days. The Trust continued raising awareness of NFM and the profile of DCRT through a variety of activities including guided walks, talks and community events such as The Avenues family fun day, Chesterfield Walking festival, school visit to the Hipper, and a talk for University of Sheffield architecture students. Our NFM Officer has been supporting the newly established Chesterfield and District Flood Action Group including giving an NFM talk and attends regular meetings with the Chesterfield Borough Council climate forum, Chesterfield Nature Forum, YRFCC Environment Sub-Group Meeting, as well as being a steering board member for the Yorkshire NFM Community of Practice.

In the Moss Brook and Smithy Brook catchments WEIF funding of £40k was secured for continued development of catchment wide Natural Flood Management (NFM) programme. This included development of an NFM opportunities catalogue; bund restoration, volunteer led leaky barrier installation and balsam removal; a landowner/manager event to raise awareness of the potential for establishing a farmer cluster group; a community engagement event raising awareness of NFM and DCRT ambitions in both catchments; trial of novel Wildscapes partnership, working together to incorporate storm water storage capacity into newt pond creation and restoration. An application to continue WEIF (now LWEG) funding was submitted to continue to support work in these catchments.

In the Hipper/Holmebrook Catchment, a Hipper catchment partnership is in development between DCRT, Derbyshire Wildlife Trust, the Environment Agency and local councils with new members joining the NFM steering board and a regular Hipper Catchment item on the agenda. We are continuing to develop a high-level opportunities catalogue for the catchment and are acting as liaison between key stakeholder groups. Funding was applied for and secured for installation of two Sustainable Urban drainage and wildlife planters. These were installed in Holmebrook Valley Park to complement existing and future NFM projects in the park as well as to help raise awareness about NFM and SuDS amongst park visitors. DCRT are working with Chesterfield Borough Council to incorporate NFM features as part of ongoing projects in council owned parks and exploring potential for future larger scale NFM schemes.

LAND MANAGEMENT

The Dearne Valley Farm Cluster continued to be hosted by Don Catchment Rivers Trust. This year an aerator machine was purchased to be loaned out to farmers, the purpose of which is to improve soil and prevent run off.

PEOPLE & COMMUNITIES

'All Hands on the Don', our Doncaster based National Lottery Heritage Fund project moved into its second year, it's main aims being to increase health and wellbeing; foster community action, inclusion and cohesion; increase skills and employability; and celebrate our river heritage. Through this project several small grants were awarded to local groups.

Engagement activities included 'angling for wellbeing' sessions; an oral history project; volunteer training and species identification training; River Guardian school visits; walks and talks; photography competition and photography events led & designed by a volunteer; a DCRT photo calendar and mural painting. Partnership events included working with Changing Lives on pond dipping, bug hunting. The Trust attended community events including local heritage fairs, Sprotbrough eco fest, and Barnby Dun arts festival.

The Trust continued to offer disability friendly work experience, focused youth volunteering sessions, and our apprentice won Doncaster College 'Apprentice of the Year'.

Across the Trust over 100 new volunteers were recruited, almost 2000 hours of volunteer time was given and 25+ community groups were interacted with. Volunteer sessions included clean ups, natural flood management; invasive species removal, Riverfly; tree planting, a biolitz and wetland restoration and footpath improvements at Hexthorpe Ings,. The Trust also took part in Keep Britain Tidy's Great British Spring Clean. Volunteer training sessions included plant identification and safe working near water. The Trust also ran corporate volunteer sessions, including days for B. Braun, COWI, and the Foresters Friendly Society.

DCRT were pleased to be invited to loan items to the Our Habitats, Our Home exhibition in Rotherham's Clifton Park Museum, and to have two shortlisted nominees at the North East Derbyshire Volunteer Centre 'Voluntary Sector Awards'.

WORKING TOGETHER

The Don, Dearne & Rother Network (DDRN) has continued to be hosted by DCRT, and the Trust was reappointed by DEFRA in 2024/25 as the Catchment Hosts. The role of Catchment Host is to provide a hub for collaboration between groups and stakeholders engaged in the Catchment Based Approach (CaBA). As catchment hosts the Trust provides opportunities for partners and interested network members to meet in person, such as the Don, Dearne & Rother Network Day held in July 2024, steering group meetings, and site visits to partner projects. We have continued to send out a regular newsletter to network members, with updates and information about activities across the catchment.

A key focus of the DDRN this year has been developing the Doe Lea Partnership, which resulted in a partner securing funding from the Water Restoration Fund. We have captured and mapped partner projects, and published the Ambitions and Monitoring Plan, which sets a priority for working towards catchment-wide monitoring.

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In November 2024, DCRT along with fellow Yorkshire based River Trusts signed up to a strategic partnership with Yorkshire Water. The partnership aims "to achieve transformational environmental and societal improvements for Yorkshire from its rivers, providing a better-quality environment for wildlife and for people to live, work and enjoy". To bring this vision to life, the goal is that "by 2043 all of Yorkshire's rivers will be thriving and in good ecological health".

EVIDENCE & MONITORING

DCRT is the Riverfly hub for the Don catchment and continues to support the initiative across the catchment area. The Trust supports and coordinates three Riverfly Monitoring Initiative groups: Chesterfield RMI (with monitoring sites on the river Hipper, Holme Brook and Drone), Went ARMI (monitoring sites on the River Went), and Sheffield River Rangers (with monitoring sites on the rivers Sheaf, Don, Rivelin, Loxley, Porter Brook and Meersbrook). The Trust now has an extended riverfly tutor, with 6 training courses deliver this year.

Annual electro-fishing surveys for presence and absence of species have continues, with the aim of finding evidence for a full salmon lifecycle. Volunteers have participated in these surveys, as well as monthly wetland bird surveying (core counts), butterfly, dragonfly & bat surveys and water quality monitoring.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Trust is very grateful to have been awarded a total of £560,241 grants and donations during the year, the main ones of which were as follows: -

Environment Agency	£92,200
Environment Agency (Local Levy)	£29,000
Yorkshire Water	£56,497
National Lottery Heritage	£203,135
Garfield Weston	£40,000
Derbyshire County Council	£25,000
Chesterfield Borough Council	£12,245
Swire Charitable Trust	£30,000
National Lottery Community	£55,139
Other Donations	£17,025

£24,300 of deferred income was released from grants received in 2022.

£10,000 of deferred income was released from grants received in 2024.

£24,623 of unused contingency funds relating to National Highways Farmers Grants has been included within unrestricted grants as this can now be used as the Trust wishes.

The total expenditure of the Trust was £625,845

The main areas of expenditure were:

Project work £54,276
Staff costs £425,505
Phones and office costs £24,597
Travel and conferences £18,129
Professional Fees £63,423
General overheads £39,915

The total funds at 30 June 2025 are £263,750 with £61,100 being restricted and £202,650 unrestricted.

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FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES AND THE WAY AHEAD

The Trust is increasingly being asked to contribute to strategic relationships, future consultations, and future environmental guidelines. Whilst this confirms the Trust's being accepted as serious entity it does place an increasing load on the working of the Trust.

The Trust is committed to diversifying its income streams particularly with the uncertainties in the economic environment and the increasing interest and concern from the public in the environment.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Trust was formed with the incorporation, on the 12th June 2008, as a Company Limited by Guarantee. The Trust gained charitable status on 22nd February 2010.

Mrs Jacqueline Diaz-Nieto left the Board in March 2025.

The Trust was set up to promote good practice in the conservation and improvement to the habitats of the rivers, wetlands and water bodies situated within the catchments of the rivers Don, Rother and Dearne.

Charitable Objectives as stated in our registration:

Undertake, advise upon, create, conserve and support use, management conservation, protection, rehabilitation, improvement of and community benefits from the rivers, streams, watercourses, water impoundments and other aquatic environments of catchments comprising the rivers Don, Rother and Dearne including their tributaries and adjacent estuarine and coastal areas.

An association, charity, local authority, administrative or governmental agency or public body or representative body in,
(1) The understanding or rivers, river corridors and catchment, including their fauna, flora and economic or social activity, and river catchment management.
(2)The need for, and benefit of, conservation, protection, rehabilitation and improvement of aquatic environments, and
(3)The benefits to the community of effective and competent management and use of river catchments.

We rely on our own expertise and that of The Rivers Trusts. Its role is primarily as an umbrella organisation, promoting the development of the movement, and building its capacity to deliver the Trust's objectives through regional or local river trusts which include environmental improvements across England & Wales and Northern Ireland.

We work closely with our other partners, Local and Regional Councils, Natural England, Yorkshire Wildlife Trust, RSPB, the Environment Agency, the Water Company and Local Community Groups.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number
06618848 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number
1134414

Registered office
34 Middle Street South
Driffield
East Yorkshire
YO25 6PS

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Trustees
C J Firth
D W Rowley
R Sedgwick
A J Newton
Dr W Brown
P Worrall
Dr P Gaskell
Mrs C Hutton
S P Firth
Mrs J Diaz-Neto (resigned 31/3/2025)

Company Secretary
D W Rowley

Independent Examiner
C B Wilson
BCO Accountants LLP
34 Middle Street South
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 5 March 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

D W Rowley - Trustee

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Don Catchment Rivers Trust ('the Company')
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report
As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement
Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.

C B Wilson

BCO Accountants LLP
34 Middle Street South
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Date: 11 March 2026

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DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Charitable activities	4				
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)		-	10,294	10,294	20,000
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams		-	-	-	(3,694)
Natural Flood Management		-	92,017	92,017	33,575
Agricultural Engagment		-	16,728	16,728	33,280
All Hands On The Don		-	272,978	272,978	223,124
Green Recovery Challenge		-	-	-	(91)
Fisheries		-	42,794	42,794	44,128
Volunteer Programme		-	57,499	57,499	59,633
General Grants		115,256	-	115,256	17,886
General Donations		6,919	-	6,919	507
General Sales		4,677	-	4,677	2,850
Investment income	3	4,213	-	4,213	8,112
Total		131,065	492,310	623,375	439,310
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	5				
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)		-	34,705	34,705	36,044
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams		-	-	-	4,579
Natural Flood Management		-	68,637	68,637	39,494
Agricultural Engagment		-	24,728	24,728	40,711
All Hands On The Don		-	287,267	287,267	191,725
Green Recovery Challenge		-	-	-	729
Fisheries		-	58,641	58,641	106,539
Volunteer Programme		-	64,340	64,340	35,739
Other		87,527	-	87,527	116,358
Total		87,527	538,318	625,845	571,918
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		43,538	(46,008)	(2,470)	(132,608)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		159,112	107,108	266,220	398,828
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		202,650	61,100	263,750	266,220

The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET
30 JUNE 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	12	7,745	14,129	21,874	16,318
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	13	1,741	5,279	7,020	6,472
Cash at bank and in hand		197,452	80,752	278,204	365,337
		199,193	86,031	285,224	371,809
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	14	(4,288)	(39,060)	(43,348)	(92,812)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		194,905	46,971	241,876	278,997
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		202,650	61,100	263,750	295,315
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	15	-	-	-	(29,095)
NET ASSETS		202,650	61,100	263,750	266,220
FUNDS	16				
Unrestricted funds				202,650	159,112
Restricted funds				61,100	107,108
TOTAL FUNDS				263,750	266,220

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 June 2025.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2025 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

(a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and

(b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

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These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 5 March 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

D W Rowley - Trustee

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DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	(74,048)	(210,613)
Net cash used in operating activities		(74,048)	(210,613)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(17,395)	(20,831)
Sale of tangible fixed assets		97	10,127
Interest received		4,213	8,112
Net cash used in investing activities		(13,085)	(2,592)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		(87,133)	(213,205)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		365,337	578,542
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		278,204	365,337

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1. RECONCILIATION OF NET EXPENDITURE TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2025 £	2024 £
Net expenditure for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	(2,470)	(132,608)
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	11,683	6,685
Loss/(profit) on disposal of fixed assets	59	(5,333)
Interest received	(4,213)	(8,112)
Increase in debtors	(548)	(1,040)
Decrease in creditors	(78,559)	(70,205)
Net cash used in operations	(74,048)	(210,613)

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1/7/24 £	Cash flow £	At 30/6/25 £
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	365,337	(87,133)	278,204
	365,337	(87,133)	278,204
Total	365,337	(87,133)	278,204

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1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

Don Catchment Rivers Trust is a charitable company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales. The company's registered number is 06618848 and registered office is 34 Middle Street South, Driffield, East Yorkshire, YO25 6PS.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income
All income, including grants, is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Allocation and apportionment of costs
Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities.

Tangible fixed assets
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Plant and machinery	- 33% on cost
Office equipment	- 25% on cost
Motor vehicles	- 25% on cost
Computer equipment	- 33% on cost

Taxation
The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting
Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits
The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2025	2024
	£	£
Deposit account interest	4,213	8,112

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Activity	2025 £	2024 £
Grants	DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	10,294	20,000
Grants	Hidden Heritage Secret Streams	-	(3,694)
Grants	Natural Flood Management	91,717	33,575
Donations	Natural Flood Management	300	-
Grants	Agricultural Engagment	17,128	33,280
Sales	Agricultural Engagment	(400)	-
Grants	All Hands On The Don	272,978	216,063
Donations	All Hands On The Don	-	7,061
Grants	Green Recovery Challenge	-	(91)
Grants	Fisheries	42,707	43,575
Donations	Fisheries	48	-
Sales	Fisheries	39	553
Grants	Volunteer Programme	55,849	59,633
Donations	Volunteer Programme	40	-
Sales	Volunteer Programme	1,610	-
Grants	General Grants	115,256	17,886
Donations	General Donations	6,919	507
Sales	General Sales	4,677	2,850
		619,162	431,198

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 6) £	Totals £
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	32,114	2,591	34,705
Natural Flood Management	67,044	1,593	68,637
Agricultural Engagment	16,427	8,301	24,728
All Hands On The Don	269,028	18,239	287,267
Fisheries	57,537	1,104	58,641
Volunteer Programme	61,583	2,757	64,340
Other	8,380	79,147	87,527
	512,113	113,732	625,845

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6. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management	Finance	Totals
	£	£	£
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	2,591	-	2,591
Natural Flood Management	1,593	-	1,593
Agricultural Engagment	8,301	-	8,301
All Hands On The Don	18,159	80	18,239
Fisheries	1,104	-	1,104
Volunteer Programme	2,757	-	2,757
Other	79,051	96	79,147
	113,556	176	113,732

7. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2025	2024
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	11,683	6,685
(Deficit)/surplus on disposal of fixed assets	59	(5,333)

8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 June 2025 nor for the year ended 30 June 2024.

Trustees' expenses

During the year there was £597 (2024 - £980) of travel expenses reimbursed to trustees.

9. STAFF COSTS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	364,386	338,424
Social security costs	23,675	27,046
Other pension costs	31,411	28,591
	419,472	394,061

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2025	2024
Project officers	11	13

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

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10. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Charitable activities			
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	-	20,000	20,000
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams	-	(3,694)	(3,694)
Natural Flood Management	-	33,575	33,575
Agricultural Engagment	-	33,280	33,280
All Hands On The Don	-	223,124	223,124
Green Recovery Challenge	-	(91)	(91)
Fisheries	-	44,128	44,128
Volunteer Programme	-	59,633	59,633
General Grants	17,886	-	17,886
General Donations	507	-	507
General Sales	2,850	-	2,850
Investment income	8,112	-	8,112
Total	29,355	409,955	439,310
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	-	36,044	36,044
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams	-	4,579	4,579
Natural Flood Management	-	39,494	39,494
Agricultural Engagment	-	40,711	40,711
All Hands On The Don	-	191,725	191,725
Green Recovery Challenge	-	729	729
Fisheries	-	106,539	106,539
Volunteer Programme	-	35,739	35,739
Other	113,305	3,053	116,358
Total	113,305	458,613	571,918
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(83,950)	(48,658)	(132,608)
Transfers between funds	4,795	(4,795)	-
Net movement in funds	(79,155)	(53,453)	(132,608)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	238,267	160,561	398,828
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	159,112	107,108	266,220

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11. DEFERRED INCOME

Some of the grants received by the charity are specifically to cover salaries of key personnel over the period of a project as such this income is deferred over the length of the project, the movement of the deferred income is set out below,

	2025	2024
	£	£
Balance b/fwd	63,395	77,695
Grant received	-	15,000
Released in year	(34,300)	(29,300)
Balance c/fwd	29,095	63,395

12. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery	Office equipment	Motor vehicles	Computer equipment	Totals
	£	£	£	£	£
COST					
At 1 July 2024	-	8,389	13,176	11,911	33,476
Additions	15,538	551	-	1,306	17,395
Disposals	-	(210)	-	-	(210)
At 30 June 2025	15,538	8,730	13,176	13,217	50,661
DEPRECIATION					
At 1 July 2024	-	3,673	3,294	10,191	17,158
Charge for year	5,179	1,757	3,294	1,453	11,683
Eliminated on disposal	-	(54)	-	-	(54)
At 30 June 2025	5,179	5,376	6,588	11,644	28,787
NET BOOK VALUE					
At 30 June 2025	10,359	3,354	6,588	1,573	21,874
At 30 June 2024	-	4,716	9,882	1,720	16,318

13. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade debtors	700	-
Prepayments	6,320	6,472
	7,020	6,472

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14. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Social security and other taxes	9,867	11,687
Other creditors	801	1,014
Farmer grants	-	41,550
Deferred income	29,095	34,300
Accrued expenses	3,585	4,261
	43,348	92,812

15. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Deferred income	-	29,095

16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/7/24	Net movement in funds	At 30/6/25
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	159,112	43,538	202,650
Restricted funds			
Restricted	107,108	(46,008)	61,100
TOTAL FUNDS	266,220	(2,470)	263,750

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	131,065	(87,527)	43,538
Restricted funds			
Restricted	492,310	(538,318)	(46,008)
TOTAL FUNDS	623,375	(625,845)	(2,470)

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16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/7/23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 30/6/24 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	238,267	(83,950)	4,795	159,112
Restricted funds				
Restricted	160,561	(48,658)	(4,795)	107,108
TOTAL FUNDS	398,828	(132,608)	-	266,220

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	29,355	(113,305)	(83,950)
Restricted funds			
Restricted	409,955	(458,613)	(48,658)
TOTAL FUNDS	439,310	(571,918)	(132,608)

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/7/23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 30/6/25 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	238,267	(40,412)	4,795	202,650
Restricted funds				
Restricted	160,561	(94,666)	(4,795)	61,100
TOTAL FUNDS	398,828	(135,078)	-	263,750

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16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	160,420	(200,832)	(40,412)
Restricted funds			
Restricted	902,265	(996,931)	(94,666)
TOTAL FUNDS	1,062,685	(1,197,763)	(135,078)

17. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 June 2025.

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	2025 £	2024 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	4,213	8,112
Charitable activities		
Grants	605,929	420,227
Donations	7,307	7,568
Sales	5,926	3,403
	619,162	431,198
Total incoming resources	623,375	439,310
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	333,489	282,083
Employers NI	20,933	21,956
Pensions	28,539	23,751
Travel	7,691	7,276
Project work undertaken	54,276	4,430
Motor expenses	7,952	5,110
Training	6,338	3,422
Professional fees	40,453	94,031
Staff costs	1,875	3,544
Volunteer costs	10,567	3,830
	512,113	449,433
Support costs		
Management		
Wages	30,897	56,341
Employers NI	2,742	5,090
Pensions	2,872	4,840
Office rent	15,120	14,880
Insurance	7,074	6,967
Telephone	1,038	2,236
Office costs	8,439	7,593
Promotional expenses	2,968	5,782
Sundries	3,693	2,292
Travel	1,548	1,828
Motor expenses	938	2,515
Training	669	175
Subscriptions	2,856	4,055
Accountancy	2,674	2,666
Professional fees	13,958	1,969
Carried forward	97,486	119,229

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
Management		
Brought forward	97,486	119,229
Staff costs	3,489	925
Volunteer costs	839	641
Depreciation of tangible and heritage assets	11,683	6,685
(Profit)/Loss on sale of tangible fixed assets	59	(5,333)
	113,556	122,147
Finance		
Bank charges	176	338
Total resources expended	625,845	571,918
Net expenditure	(2,470)	(132,608)

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DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1134414

Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 06618848 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1134414

DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

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The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Trust had five key objectives

1. Create additional wetlands & washlands along the rivers. To enable the rivers to better absorb water at time of flooding and to provide connectivity to enable wildlife to flourish.
2. Improve fish passage. A WFD requirement to allow the free passage of migratory and natural movement of non- migratory fish up and down the rivers
3. Improve access for people to the river. We want to see people reconnected with their rivers.
4. Re-naturalize river channels. Extensive canalisation has been undertaken throughout the catchment adversely impacting on its ecology.
5. Promote improved water quality & diffuse pollution control. This remains the greatest threat to the ecology of our rivers

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Summary of the Trust activities during the year:

o Develop the "All Hands on the Don" National Heritage Project for final submission.
o Development and delivery of Natural Flood Management projects in the upper Rother Catchment.
o Discussions with the Environment Agency on fish pass priorities.
o Collaboration with the University of Sheffield on an environmental DNA project.
o Continued employment of a managing director and operations director, without specific financial assistance.
o Contribute to the control/removal of invasive plants species.
o Host and contribute to the Don, Dearne and Rother Catchment Partnership.
o Meeting of Yorkshire Rivers Trusts and the National Rivers Trust.
o Periodic meetings with the Environment Agency and Yorkshire Water.
o Expansion of Trust influence by networking with many local organizations

The Trust was involved in a number of projects during the year:

LIVING HERITAGE OF THE RIVER DON PROJECT (LHRD)

The Living Heritage of the River Don project was completed in December 2018. The Trust continues a watching brief to ensure that the fish passes continue to work efficiently.

HIDDEN HERITAGE SECRET STREAMS (HHSS)

This project has also been completed and the Trust has assumed a watching brief.

ALL HANDS ON THE DON - new National Heritage Lottery Project

In August 2023, the Trust's third project supported by the National Lottery Heritage Fund started. The project, called 'All Hands on the Don' will run for three years, based on the Don and its tributaries around Doncaster in South Yorkshire. The main engagement aims of the project are to: increase health and wellbeing; foster community action, inclusion and cohesion; increase skills and employability; and celebrating our river heritage.

During the first year of the project the delivery team was recruited from internal staff, with the addition of a new Assistant and a new Apprentice. Links made with community groups during the development phase were able to be continued, as well as recruiting new volunteers to the project. The project team took part in a local Doncaster arts festival, involved people from immigrant backgrounds, supported other groups with community grants, led school 'River Guardian' sessions, offered disability friendly work experience, and ran training sessions and activities for volunteers and members of the public.

CABA - CATCHMENT HOSTING - THE DON, DEARNE & ROTHER NETWORK

The Don, Dearne and Rother Network has continued to be hosted by Don Catchment Rivers Trust, and the Trust was reappointed by DEFRA in 23/24 as the Catchment Hosts for the wider Don. The role of Catchment Host is to provide a focused environment for getting more people involved and engaged in the catchment based approach (CaBA). As catchment hosts we provide opportunities for partners and interested network members to meet in person, such as the Don, Dearne & Rother Network Day, which was held in July 2023 and Regenerative Agriculture: Farm walk & forum event in November 2023 to help get farmers and partners together to discuss organic farming, land use, biodiversity and water management. Our membership continues to grow, with over 290 members in the Network. During 2023 and 2024 we looked to develop new partnerships within the catchment, and we have been helping to get partners together to develop a new landscape scale catchment partnership in the Doe Lea catchment. We have continued to send out a regular newsletter to network members, with updates and information about activities from across the catchment.

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FISHERIES HABITAT

With funding from an Environment Agency Fisheries Improvement Programme grant, DCRT installed woody debris at Salmon Pastures to enhance fish habitat along this section of the River Don.
DCRT conducted electrofishing surveys across multiple sites, supported by the Upper Don Fly Fishers, to assess potential salmon spawning activity in the river.
In collaboration with FishTek Consulting and funded by Yorkshire Water, the Environment Agency, and the European Open Rivers Programme, DCRT successfully removed Stocksbridge Weir improving river habitat and fish passage. A feasibility/optioneering study was also carried out for Tin Mill Dam Weir.
To celebrate 'World Fish Migration Day 2024,' DCRT hosted an event at Kelham Island alongside the Environment Agency, Angling Trust, and the University of Hull.
Ongoing work included routine fish pass inspections, quarterly maintenance group meetings, and the upkeep of fish passages along the River Don to ensure uninterrupted connectivity for migratory species.
Finally, DCRT shared updates on their work at key events, including the Great Yorkshire Rivers "Lunch and Learn," the Sheffield Waterways Strategy Group meeting, and the Upper Don Walk AGM.

CITIZEN SCIENCE - RIVERFLY MONITORING

DCRT continue to work with the Riverfly Partnership to offer the Riverfly Monitoring Initiative across the catchment area. The Trust supports and coordinates three Riverfly Monitoring Initiative groups: Chesterfield RMI (with monitoring sites on the river Hipper, Holme Brook and river Drone) Went ARMI (monitoring sites on the River Went) and Sheffield River Rangers (with monitoring sites on the rivers Sheaf, Don, Rivelin Loxley, Porter Brook and Meersbrook). DCRT delivered five RMI training days, training 62 volunteers, and in addition, delivered a freshwater invertebrate field skills study day and lecture for students at the University of Sheffield. DCRT have also supported the training of a new RMI tutor from a neighbouring Rivers Trust in Lincolnshire.

VOLUNTEERING

The Volunteering programme at DCRT has been supported by the National Lottery Heritage Fund and the National Lottery Community Fund. Volunteer days have continued to take place throughout the catchment, totalling 531 of volunteering hours! We were able to engage with 54 new volunteers who took place in various activities including balsam bashing, river clean ups, fish habitat improvement, natural flood management, vegetation management, wildlife surveys and heritage walks. Volunteering efforts have covered a large portion of the catchment, and we have been able to collaborate with various local groups to make our rivers a better place together. DCRT staff and volunteers have been present at local community events, engaging with the public to share the vision of DCRT and the volunteering opportunities. We have been displayed in Clifton Park Museum as part of their 'Our Habitats, Our Home' exhibition.

This year we were able to review our internal processes for recruitment and onboarding, reprinting our Volunteer Handbook and updating our on-site risk assessments. We have developed a Volunteer Mailing List where upcoming opportunities are advertised. Our summer volunteer evaluation questionnaire highlighted that the majority of respondents stated that they found volunteering extremely enjoyable and experienced many mental and physical benefits from doing so.

NATURAL FLOOD MANAGEMENT

The final activities of the Slow the Flow to the Calow flood alleviation and habitat enhancement scheme at Grassmoor Country Park in Chesterfield was completed, with volunteers sowing meadow seed and planting pond plants. The capital works were signed off in October with maintenance and monitoring ongoing.
The Moss Brook and Smithy Brook catchments are now a key focus with substantial efforts being taken to develop catchment wide NFM delivery in these locations. This builds on the work already delivered by the Trust in the Moss valley and the project with iCASP which identified priority areas and measures for NFM. This includes the completion of leaky dam installation at Newfield Spring Woods and continued monitoring and maintenance of them. Funding was secured from the EA Water Environment Improvement Fund to support opportunity mapping and both landowner and community engagement in the two catchments which is underway.

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New partnerships have been established to try and expand the reach of the NFM officer including with Yorkshire Water to encourage greater use of nature based solutions in tackling CSO discharges and with Wildscapes to incorporate storm storage into the many district level licensing newt ponds being restored and installed across the Upper Rother.
Efforts have continued to raise awareness about NFM with walks and talks throughout the year including during the Chesterfield walking festival and the Don, rother and Dearne Network day.

AGRICULTURAL SERVICES

Agricultural support for improving the catchments rivers continued to be supported by the Yorkshire Water Catchment Reliance Fund and National Highways this year. The ongoing National Highways Funded 'Little Don Natural Flood Management scheme' supported landowners in delivering and maintaining NFM measures on land in that sub-catchment, including online storage ponds, leaky barriers, soil aeration and cross slope planting.

The Dearne Valley Farm Cluster continued to be hosted by Don Catchment Rivers Trust, funded by Yorkshire Water's Biodiversity Enhancement Fund. Training and information sharing sessions were organised, including on the topics of regenerative agriculture, soil health and Biodiversity Net Gain & environmental markets. An agricultural advisor visited several farms in the cluster to advise on environmental schemes and natural flood management interventions. Additional projects included development of a grassland aeration scheme, and a wader scrape project on a farm adjacent to the River Dearne.

FINANCIAL REVIEW
The Trust is very grateful to have been awarded a total of £416,897 grants and donations during the year, the main ones of which were as follows: -

Environment Agency	£97,094
Yorkshire Water	£119,176
National Lottery Heritage	£110,990
European Open Rivers	£16,614
South Yorkshire Community Fund	£9,980
National Lottery Community	£59,633
Other Donations	£3,410

£24,300 of deferred income was released from grants received in 2022.

£10,000 of income received in 2024 has been deferred to 2025.

The total expenditure of the Trust was £571,918

The main areas of expenditure were:

Project work £4,430
Staff costs £398,705
Phones and office costs £24,709
Travel and conferences £16,729
Professional Fees £102,088
General overheads £25,257

The total funds at 30 June 2024 are £266,220, with £107,108 being restricted and £159,112 unrestricted.

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FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES AND THE WAY AHEAD

As the positive reputation and track record of the Rivers Trust movement grows, Don Catchment Rivers Trust is increasingly being invited to contribute to strategic relationships, consultations and workshops for important future environmental guidelines, regulation and legislation. It is the Trust's intention to strengthen our contribution to such plans both as Don Catchment Rivers Trust, and as part of the Yorkshire hub of regional rivers Trusts.

Over the next two years, the Trust will seek to diversify it's income streams and map out how we need to evolve to continue to support our charitable objectives, especially keeping in mind that rivers, water quality and the environment generally are increasingly and issue of public concern.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Trust was formed with the incorporation, on the 12th June 2008, as a Company Limited by Guarantee. The Trust gained charitable status on 22nd February 2010.

Mrs Jacqueline Diaz-Nieto joined the Board in March 2024.

The Trust was set up to promote good practice in the conservation and improvement to the habitats of the rivers, wetlands and water bodies situated within the catchments of the rivers Don, Rother and Dearne.

Charitable Objectives as stated in our registration:

Undertake, advise upon, create, conserve and support use, management conservation, protection, rehabilitation, improvement of and community benefits from the rivers, streams, watercourses, water impoundments and other aquatic environments of catchments comprising the rivers Don, Rother and Dearne including their tributaries and adjacent estuarine and coastal areas.

An association, charity, local authority, administrative or governmental agency or public body or representative body in,
(1) The understanding or rivers, river corridors and catchment, including their fauna, flora and economic or social activity, and river catchment management.
(2)The need for, and benefit of, conservation, protection, rehabilitation and improvement of aquatic environments, and
(3)The benefits to the community of effective and competent management and use of river catchments.

We rely on our own expertise and that of The Rivers Trusts. Its role is primarily as an umbrella organisation, promoting the development of the movement, and building its capacity to deliver the Trust's objectives through regional or local river trusts which include environmental improvements across England & Wales and Northern Ireland.

We work closely with our other partners, Local and Regional Councils, Natural England, Yorkshire Wildlife Trust, RSPB, the Environment Agency, the Water Company and Local Community Groups.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number
06618848 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number
1134414

Registered office
34 Middle Street South
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Trustees
C J Firth
D W Rowley
R Sedgwick
A J Newton
Dr W Brown
P Worrall
Dr P Gaskell
Mrs C Hutton
S P Firth
Mrs J Diaz-Neto (appointed 1/3/2024)

Company Secretary
D W Rowley

Independent Examiner
C B Wilson
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34 Middle Street South
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 10 February 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

D W Rowley - Trustee

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Don Catchment Rivers Trust ('the Company')
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report
As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement
Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.

C B Wilson

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Date: 11 March 2025

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DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Charitable activities	4				
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)		-	20,000	20,000	54,810
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams		-	(3,694)	(3,694)	126,215
Natural Flood Management		-	33,575	33,575	47,048
Agricultural Engagment		-	33,280	33,280	75,272
All Hands On The Don		-	223,124	223,124	100,037
Green Recovery Challenge		-	(91)	(91)	86,357
Fisheries		-	44,128	44,128	94,426
Footpath Society		-	-	-	13,877
Volunteer Programme		-	59,633	59,633	-
General Grants		17,886	-	17,886	20,821
General Donations		507	-	507	25,628
General Sales		2,850	-	2,850	625
Investment income	3	8,112	-	8,112	4,144
Total		29,355	409,955	439,310	649,260
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	5				
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)		-	36,044	36,044	31,486
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams		-	4,579	4,579	225,397
Natural Flood Management		-	39,494	39,494	36,993
Agricultural Engagment		-	40,711	40,711	53,537
All Hands On The Don		-	191,725	191,725	68,888
Green Recovery Challenge		-	729	729	164,986
Fisheries		-	106,539	106,539	47,627
Footpath Society		-	-	-	12,932
Volunteer Programme		-	35,739	35,739	-
Other		113,305	3,053	116,358	113,504
Total		113,305	458,613	571,918	755,350
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(83,950)	(48,658)	(132,608)	(106,090)
Transfers between funds	16	4,795	(4,795)	-	-
Net movement in funds		(79,155)	(53,453)	(132,608)	(106,090)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		238,267	160,561	398,828	504,918
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		159,112	107,108	266,220	398,828

The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET
30 JUNE 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	12	10,901	5,417	16,318	6,966
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	13	2,648	3,824	6,472	5,432
Cash at bank and in hand		150,955	214,382	365,337	578,542
		153,603	218,206	371,809	583,974
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	14	(5,392)	(87,420)	(92,812)	(138,717)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		148,211	130,786	278,997	445,257
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		159,112	136,203	295,315	452,223
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	15	-	(29,095)	(29,095)	(53,395)
NET ASSETS		159,112	107,108	266,220	398,828
FUNDS	16				
Unrestricted funds				159,112	238,267
Restricted funds				107,108	160,561
TOTAL FUNDS				266,220	398,828

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 June 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

(a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and

(b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

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These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 10 February 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

D W Rowley - Trustee

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DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	(210,613)	(197,830)
Net cash used in operating activities		(210,613)	(197,830)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(20,831)	(2,073)
Sale of tangible fixed assets		10,127	-
Interest received		8,112	4,144
Net cash (used in)/provided by investing activities		(2,592)	2,071
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		(213,205)	(195,759)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		578,542	774,301
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		365,337	578,542

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NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET EXPENDITURE TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2024 £	2023 £
Net expenditure for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	(132,608)	(106,090)
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	6,685	3,695
Profit on disposal of fixed assets	(5,333)	-
Interest received	(8,112)	(4,144)
Increase in debtors	(1,040)	(860)
Decrease in creditors	(70,205)	(90,431)
Net cash used in operations	(210,613)	(197,830)

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1/7/23 £	Cash flow £	At 30/6/24 £
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	578,542	(213,205)	365,337
	578,542	(213,205)	365,337
Total	578,542	(213,205)	365,337

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1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

Don Catchment Rivers Trust is a charitable company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales. The company's registered number is 06618848 and registered office is 34 Middle Street South, Driffield, East Yorkshire, YO25 6PS.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income
All income, including grants, is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Allocation and apportionment of costs
Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities.

Tangible fixed assets
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Office equipment	-	25% on cost
Motor vehicles	-	25% on cost
Computer equipment	-	33% on cost

Taxation
The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting
Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits
The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Deposit account interest	8,112	4,144

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Activity	2024 £	2023 £
Grants	DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	20,000	54,810
Grants	Hidden Heritage Secret Streams	(3,694)	126,215
Grants	Natural Flood Management	33,575	47,048
Grants	Agricultural Engagment	33,280	74,772
Sales	Agricultural Engagment	-	500
Grants	All Hands On The Don	216,063	59,037
Donations	All Hands On The Don	7,061	41,000
Grants	Green Recovery Challenge	(91)	86,357
Grants	Fisheries	43,575	94,426
Sales	Fisheries	553	-
Sales	Footpath Society	-	13,877
Grants	Volunteer Programme	59,633	-
Grants	General Grants	17,886	20,821
Donations	General Donations	507	25,628
Sales	General Sales	2,850	625
		431,198	645,116

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 6) £	Totals £
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	32,447	3,597	36,044
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams	4,579	-	4,579
Natural Flood Management	37,980	1,514	39,494
Agricultural Engagment	39,026	1,685	40,711
All Hands On The Don	175,362	16,363	191,725
Green Recovery Challenge	-	729	729
Fisheries	105,795	744	106,539
Volunteer Programme	33,881	1,858	35,739
Other	20,363	95,995	116,358
	449,433	122,485	571,918

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6. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management	Finance	Totals
	£	£	£
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	3,597	-	3,597
Natural Flood Management	1,514	-	1,514
Agricultural Engagment	1,685	-	1,685
All Hands On The Don	16,285	78	16,363
Green Recovery Challenge	729	-	729
Fisheries	738	6	744
Volunteer Programme	1,858	-	1,858
Other	95,741	254	95,995
	122,147	338	122,485

7. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2024	2023
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	6,685	3,695
Surplus on disposal of fixed assets	(5,333)	-

8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 June 2024 nor for the year ended 30 June 2023.

Trustees' expenses

During the year there was £980 (2023 - £376) of travel expenses reimbursed to trustees.

9. STAFF COSTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	338,424	283,468
Social security costs	27,046	22,208
Other pension costs	28,591	23,596
	394,061	329,272

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
Project officers	13	10

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

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10. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Charitable activities			
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	-	54,810	54,810
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams	-	126,215	126,215
Natural Flood Management	-	47,048	47,048
Agricultural Engagment	-	75,272	75,272
All Hands On The Don	-	100,037	100,037
Green Recovery Challenge	-	86,357	86,357
Fisheries	-	94,426	94,426
Footpath Society	-	13,877	13,877
General Grants	20,821	-	20,821
General Donations	25,628	-	25,628
General Sales	625	-	625
Investment income	4,144	-	4,144
Total	51,218	598,042	649,260
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	-	31,486	31,486
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams	-	225,397	225,397
Natural Flood Management	-	36,993	36,993
Agricultural Engagment	-	53,537	53,537
All Hands On The Don	-	68,888	68,888
Green Recovery Challenge	-	164,986	164,986
Fisheries	-	47,627	47,627
Footpath Society	-	12,932	12,932
Other	109,809	3,695	113,504
Total	109,809	645,541	755,350
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(58,591)	(47,499)	(106,090)
Transfers between funds	(16,533)	16,533	-
Net movement in funds	(75,124)	(30,966)	(106,090)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	313,391	191,527	504,918
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	238,267	160,561	398,828

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11. DEFERRED INCOME

Some of the grants received by the charity are specifically to cover salaries of key personnel over the period of a project as such this income is deferred over the length of the project, the movement of the deferred income is set out below,

	2024	2023
	£	£
Balance b/fwd	77,695	105,635
Grant received	15,000	-
Released in year	(29,300)	(27,940)
Balance c/fwd	63,395	77,695

12. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Office equipment	Motor vehicles	Computer equipment	Totals
	£	£	£	£
COST				
At 1 July 2023	2,840	17,786	9,805	30,431
Additions	5,549	13,176	2,106	20,831
Disposals	-	(17,786)	-	(17,786)
At 30 June 2024	8,389	13,176	11,911	33,476
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 July 2023	2,000	12,992	8,473	23,465
Charge for year	1,673	3,294	1,718	6,685
Eliminated on disposal	-	(12,992)	-	(12,992)
At 30 June 2024	3,673	3,294	10,191	17,158
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 30 June 2024	4,716	9,882	1,720	16,318
At 30 June 2023	840	4,794	1,332	6,966

13. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade debtors	-	100
Prepayments	6,472	5,332
	6,472	5,432

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14. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade creditors	-	2,376
Social security and other taxes	11,687	8,590
Other creditors	1,014	459
Farmer grants	41,550	99,224
Deferred income	34,300	24,300
Accrued expenses	4,261	3,768
	92,812	138,717

15. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Deferred income	29,095	53,395

16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/7/23	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 30/6/24
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	238,267	(83,950)	4,795	159,112
Restricted funds				
Restricted	160,561	(48,658)	(4,795)	107,108
TOTAL FUNDS	398,828	(132,608)	-	266,220

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	29,355	(113,305)	(83,950)
Restricted funds			
Restricted	409,955	(458,613)	(48,658)
TOTAL FUNDS	439,310	(571,918)	(132,608)

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16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/7/22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 30/6/23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	313,391	(58,591)	(16,533)	238,267
Restricted funds				
Restricted	191,527	(47,499)	16,533	160,561
TOTAL FUNDS	504,918	(106,090)	-	398,828

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	51,218	(109,809)	(58,591)
Restricted funds			
Restricted	598,042	(645,541)	(47,499)
TOTAL FUNDS	649,260	(755,350)	(106,090)

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/7/22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 30/6/24 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	313,391	(142,541)	(11,738)	159,112
Restricted funds				
Restricted	191,527	(96,157)	11,738	107,108
TOTAL FUNDS	504,918	(238,698)	-	266,220

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16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	80,573	(223,114)	(142,541)
Restricted funds			
Restricted	1,007,997	(1,104,154)	(96,157)
TOTAL FUNDS	1,088,570	(1,327,268)	(238,698)

17. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 June 2024.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	8,112	4,144
Charitable activities		
Grants	420,227	563,486
Donations	7,568	66,628
Sales	3,403	15,002
	431,198	645,116
Total incoming resources	439,310	649,260
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	282,083	241,325
Employers NI	21,956	19,033
Pensions	23,751	19,719
Travel	7,276	7,672
Project work undertaken	4,430	236,388
Motor expenses	5,110	3,153
Training	3,422	3,127
Professional fees	94,031	113,534
Staff costs	3,544	1,343
Volunteer costs	3,830	5,054
	449,433	650,348
Support costs		
Management		
Wages	56,341	42,143
Employers NI	5,090	3,175
Pensions	4,840	3,877
Office rent	14,880	12,240
Insurance	6,967	6,330
Telephone	2,236	2,057
Office costs	7,593	7,096
Promotional expenses	5,782	7,930
Sundries	2,292	4,067
Travel	1,828	1,733
Motor expenses	2,515	2,146
Training	175	-
Subscriptions	4,055	811
Accountancy	2,666	2,173
Professional fees	1,969	3,110
Carried forward	119,229	98,888

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Management		
Brought forward	119,229	98,888
Staff costs	925	1,237
Volunteer costs	641	1,016
Depreciation of tangible and heritage assets	6,685	3,695
(Profit)/Loss on sale of tangible fixed assets	(5,333)	-
	122,147	104,836
Finance		
Bank charges	338	166
Total resources expended	571,918	755,350
Net expenditure	(132,608)	(106,090)

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DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1134414

Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 06618848 (England and Wales)
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DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

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The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Trust had five key objectives

1. Create additional wetlands & washlands along the rivers. To enable the rivers to better absorb water at time of flooding and to provide connectivity to enable wildlife to flourish.
2. Improve fish passage. A WFD requirement to allow the free passage of migratory and natural movement of non- migratory fish up and down the rivers
3. Improve access for people to the river. We want to see people reconnected with their rivers.
4. Re-naturalize river channels. Extensive canalisation has been undertaken throughout the catchment adversely impacting on its ecology.
5. Promote improved water quality & diffuse pollution control. This remains the greatest threat to the ecology of our rivers

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Summary of the Trust activities during the year:

o Develop the "All Hands on the Don" National Heritage Project for final submission.
o Development and delivery of Natural Flood Management projects in the upper Rother Catchment.
o Discussions with the Environment Agency on fish pass priorities.
o Collaboration with the University of Sheffield on an environmental DNA project.
o Continued employment of a managing director and operations director, without specific financial assistance.
o Contribute to the control/removal of invasive plants species.
o Host and contribute to the Don, Dearne and Rother Catchment Partnership.
o Meeting of Yorkshire Rivers Trusts and the National Rivers Trust.
o Periodic meetings with the Environment Agency and Yorkshire Water.
o Expansion of Trust influence by networking with many local organizations

The Trust was involved in a number of projects during the year:

MEETING OF YORKSHIRE RIVERS TRUSTS HUB AND CATCHMENT PARTNERSHIPS HUB

This is an informal regular series of meetings between the catchment hosts in Yorkshire to exchange ideas to the mutual benefit of the trusts. It is very much supported by the EA and allows all of us to have access to their senior management team. It in no way affects the independence of the trusts and their focus on local issues. The Yorkshire Hub for Catchment Partnerships has now been formed to improve the relationship between Yorkshire Partnerships and to have a co-ordinated view for meetings with the EA.

WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT

The Trust has continued to make considerable use of the website and it is the primary means of communication with our wider group and enables us to easily and effectively report on issues and achievements. The website is the key to our engagement with the local community and we see this as a key element in our future working. We understand that the website is the first port of call for potential partners and funders to get an understanding of the Trust and its track record. We have also been utilizing other social networking media, Facebook, Twitter etc. Arrangements have been made for the website to be regularly maintained and for updates to be more easily completed.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Social media has enabled the Trust to engage with volunteers and the public in an effective way throughout the pandemic. It allowed us to communicate the work of the Trust and help raise awareness of how people can take action to help to improve the rivers in our catchment.

In the last year we have been involved in several social media campaigns, including the Great British Spring Clean, Volunteer Week, Invasive Species Week, Mental Health Awareness Week, End Sewage Pollution and several more.

We have been using Twitter, Instagram and Facebook and have had lots of engagement. Facebook statistics show there has been a huge increase in interactions during the lockdown, which we believe is due partly to staff sharing more material on the platform over this period. Currently we have 1,226 followers on Facebook, 1,679 on Twitter and 470 on Instagram.

LIVING HERITAGE OF THE RIVER DON PROJECT (LHRD)

The Living Heritage of the River Don project was completed in December 2018. The Trust continues a watching brief to ensure that the fish passes continue to work efficiently.

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HIDDEN HERITAGE SECRET STREAMS (HHSS)

This project has also been completed and the Trust has assumed a watching brief.

ALL HANDS ON THE DON - new National Heritage Lottery Project

Following appointment of the Project Development Assistant in June 2022, project development of All Hands on the Don continued and connections with potential and existing project partners were enhanced. This involved extensive public and stakeholder consultation and encompassed trial activities with local partners, to assess the appetite for nature and river themed engagement within the project area. During these activities, we had over 24 hours' worth of volunteering from residents and stakeholders. The activities and other engagement received wide ranging support from local stakeholders, and such was the support from City of Doncaster Council and Heritage Doncaster, that DCRT was invited to join a number of networks and attend a Civic Reception to meet Their Majesties, King Charles III and the Queen Consort, at Doncaster Mansion House in November 2022, as part of Doncaster receiving city status, allowing the Trust to become more visible in the project area.

The project development team with support from the wider Trust and independent evaluator Heritage Insider Ltd developed a strong Activity Plan which encompassed a wide range of community engagement and capital works, as well as the extension of the Don Valley Way from Doncaster to Thorne. This included the following revised aims for All Hands on the Don:

o Realise the River Don's potential as green-blue infrastructure, and as a source of health, wellbeing and skills development.
o Explain the profound transformation of the river Don and drive forward biodiversity gain
o Celebrate and promote natural and historic heritage.

Development helped identify risks and opportunities within the project to maximise its impact and to finalise the project.

The stage 2 application was submitted to the National Lottery Heritage Fund in February 2023 with a visit from committee in May 2023. By June 2023 DCRT was still awaiting the outcome of the application.

Between submission and June 2023, project development (within the scope of the submitted application) continued so that All Hands on the Don could begin in earnest, if a successful outcome was achieved.

CABA - CATCHMENT HOSTING - THE DON, DEARNE & ROTHER NETWORK

The Trust was reappointed by DEFRA in 2022/23 as Catchment Hosts for the wider Don (THE DON, DEARNE & ROTHER NETWORK) Catchment Partnership. The role of Catchment Host is to provide a focused environment for getting more people involved and engaged in the catchment based approach (CaBA). We are doing this through the growth of the Don, Dearne & Rother Network. The Network contains over 250 members, with a diverse range of focuses and purposes, but all sharing a common interest to improve and care for our rivers together as a catchment. We have representatives from the public, private, charity and regulatory sectors, who have varied interests including river users (fishing, canoeing, walkers etc), flood risk management, fishery (fish pass installation & management), habitat improvement and restoration and water quality improvement. During 2022/23 we have tried to engage with more businesses in the catchment too. All the catchment partners are passionate about the rivers and waterbodies in the Don Catchment.

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The Trust carries out the following activities on behalf of the Network:
o Regular email and newsletter updates (bimonthly newsletter)
o Social media communication and campaigns
o Attendance at Network members meetings in the catchment
o Organisation of a 'Network Day'
o Attending the Yorkshire Hub - attended by Yorkshire based catchment partnerships
o Engaged in the River Basin Management Plan consultation with the Environment Agency
o Annual reporting of catchment partner activities and data
o Site visits

In addition to the funding provided by DEFRA to carry out the role, Don Catchment Rivers Trust has gained additional funding from Yorkshire Water in 2022/23 to help develop the Catchment Partnership.
In July 2022, we held a catchment partnership network day at the Niagara Centre in Sheffield. The day was well attended by a wide range of stakeholders from across the catchment, with presentations about catchment projects and opportunities to network.

Following on from the changes made to the catchment partnership Storymap (which is available on the catchment partnership website), a further storymap was developed in 2022/23 to communicate the story of the work carried out to improve fish passage on the River Don and bring Salmon back to Sheffield. It is important that this information is shared publicly and developed in a format that can be easily updated, as it clearly demonstrates the CaBA approach and how partners from across the catchment can work together to make improvements in our rivers. During 2022/23 we also participated in the Festival of Debate in Sheffield, which was a great way to engage with a new audience about our rivers and the catchment based approach.

Using the engagement plan that was produced in 2021, we have started to develop ways to strengthen the catchment partnership, such as increased site visits for members (organised by DCRT as catchment partnership hosts), and developing new plans and networks in parts of the catchment where there was reduced ties to the catchment partnership, and therefore helping to increase engagement with stakeholders in these areas and increase their awareness of the catchment partnership and encourage collaborative working.

During 2022/23, we formed the Don, Dearne & Rother Network steering group, which is formed of key partners from across the catchment, all of whom have significant interests and responsibilities for river management and conservation covering a wide geographical spread across the catchment. The steering group is a forum for the discussion of issues and coordination of activity to develop the catchment partnership, and to also help harness and collate great ideas for our catchment.

FISHERIES HABITAT

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

On Saturday 21st May we hosted an event at Meadowhall Oasis' outside food court to celebrate World Fish Migration Day 2022 - a global event to help promote fish passage. We made fish flags, showed short films about fish migration, including an animation, children from Rotherham had made and organised a fish pass walk for the public. It was a fun and worthwhile event that we plan to run again in late 2023.

In August, we worked with South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority to install some large engagement stickers at the Meadowhall Interchange asking people to submit any salmon sightings to us as well as providing some simple information on how to identify a salmon and the context of their initial demise and nascent return.

We have run four 'fish filming workshops' showing people how to use GoPros to take videos of fish within the river. It has proved to be a popular and engaging activity.

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HABITAT IMPROVEMENTS

In June 2022, we commissioned Paul Gaskell of the Wild Trout Trust to produce a 'Advisory Visit' report for two sites within the Don Catchment at Salmon Pastures (Don) and The Avenues (Rother). We have started work with gaining consent to allow us to do some of the suggestions for Salmon Pastures to be delivered in 2023/24.

In January, we provided some additional habitat features at Somersall Park, Chesterfield following the installation of several Large Woody Dams within the channel. We organised a volunteer day, showing attendees the technique for 'hinging' a small tree into the river to provide marginal cover for fish.

GRASSMOOR CAPITAL WORKS

The Grassmoor Country Park flood alleviation and habitat improvement capital works were completed in November 2022 by Ebsford Environmental. The scheme consists of four project areas that each contribute to slowing the flow of water through the park and into the Calow Brook which then flows towards a problem flood risk area two miles downstream in central Chesterfield. Earthworks consisted of the creation of both temporary and semi-permanent storage ponds (with additional capacity during flood conditions) that capture rainfall and runoff. Leaky dams have also been installed to encourage high flows from streams to spill into the newly constructed storage areas. More than 1500 cubic metres of storm water storage capacity has been created as a result of the scheme. The diversity of habitats within the park has also been significantly improved through the introduction of the ponds and a substantial volunteering effort to sow different meadow mixtures on the newly created features. Small scale planting of the ponds is also helping to kick start these habitats into action with a number of wildlife signs and sightings in and around the ponds including tadpoles, breeding dragonflies and damselflies, numerous birds, foxes and 12 species of freshwater invertebrates already sampled. A mix of 50 Aspen (Populus tremula) and Alder (Alnus glutinosa) trees have also been planted to help establish wet woodland, a rich but rare UK habitat.
A grand opening was held in March 2023 which was attended by multiple stakeholders including project partners, local residents, volunteers and Councillor Renwick (Cabinet Member - Infrastructure and Environment).

VOLUNTEERING

Dedicated volunteers continued to donate their time to improve the river environment. Volunteer tasks have included litter-picks on riversides, cleaning up waterways, monitoring wildlife, invasive species control, tree planting, waymarking and access improvements. Natural Flood Management tasks have become a larger focus of volunteering, with leaky-dam building days now a regular event. Volunteers continue to bring invaluable skills and knowledge to the Trust, for example a bird-box monitoring project was established. They have also been invaluable in their work on completing the Hidden Heritage Secret Streams project and working to help maintain the Don Valley Way. They also helped with a Green Recovery Challenge Fund Project on the Bentley Mill Dike and the Calow Brook (Grassmoor Country Park).

HHSS (Volunteering)

We completed the Hidden Heritage Secret Streams project in December 2022 which would not have been possible without the help of volunteers. They helped to clean up the rivers in the Rother Catchment and helped with Citizen Science surveys in the area. Volunteering in this project was extremely successful, we managed to attract a lot of volunteers very quickly and managed to maintain these numbers for the entire project.

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GREEN RECOVERY CHALLENGE FUND

At the start of 2023 we had completed the Hidden Heritage Secret Streams but manged to secure more funding which allowed more volunteer activities through the Green Recovery Challenge Fund (GCRF). In this project we initially planned to put leaky dams in the Bentley Mill Dike. However, it was later discovered this was not possible as the river was essentially stagnant, surrounded by allotments or heavily managed for drainage so it would not be possible to put leaky dams on this section of river. Instead, we helped to daylight the river by thinning the canopy in a woodland section of the stream and this helped to make the river more open so it can be seen by local people, and therefore change their attitudes towards it. Work on the Bentley Mill Dike will continue in the All Hands on the Don Project.

GRCF also funded volunteer days at Grassmoor Country Park to help encourage the regrowth of vegetation within the newly created NFM features. Both DCRT and Friends of Grassmoor volunteers took part in these events. Activities included seed sowing with species that are able to better tolerate wetter conditions, helping to boost the diversity of plant species in the existing meadows of the park. Volunteers also helped plant 50 trees into a small area of the park to help establish some wet woodland, a much threatened habitat. Our relationship with corporate volunteers from Fletchers Waste Management continued this year with 14 people joining us at Grassmoor to plant over 500 plug plants of wetland species into the newly created ponds.

LOCAL LEVY

Regular volunteer days have been held in Newfield Spring Wood to build leaky dams on a tributary to the Moss Brook and across smaller overland flows throughout the woods to help slow flows into the brook. In total 18 large leaky dams have been built on the main tributary and over 40 smaller barriers throughout the rest of the woodland.
Quote from the woodland guardian Heather Hunt: "We've been working with Don Catchment Rivers Trust since 2020. Its been really rewarding learning from their expertise on natural flood management. We've been hosting joint volunteer days in the wood making " leaky dams" and "spillings" across our water courses which slow the flow of water in high rainfall conditions. Some of us are very active in campaigning for action on the climate and ecological emergencies. So it's very restorative for us to be so practically engaged in addressing the impacts of climate change by reducing flooding downstream as well as enjoying a day in this beautiful woodland. We've been excited too to notice new wetland habitats for wildlife. These include a surprise visit by a pair of mandarin ducks to a pool held back by a dam after heavy rain fall and a pair of trout in a newly formed scour pool."

DON VALLEY WAY

Maintenance on the Don Valley Way continued throughout this period with the help of volunteers. They helped to re-waymark the whole Don Valley Way! They also completed multiple cleanup days throughout the year and managed several sights to help remove Himalayan Balsam. Also, we received an email from a councillor who suggested a new route in the Dalton section of the Don Valley Way up to Thrybergh Country Park which we will look at in the future as it looks better than the current route.

CITIZEN SCIENCE

RIVERFLY HHSS

We continued to run the Citizen Science project in the Hidden Heritage Secret Streams project to record as much data as possible about the effect weir removal has had on the diversity of the aquatic invertebrates in that section of the River Rother. We used Riverfly Monitoring to do this by taking kick samples and recording what we found there.

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WARDSEND CEMETERY BIRD AND BUTTERFLY SURVEYS

The Bird Surveys at Wardsend Cemetery continued throughout the year allowing us to gather information on the bird life in the area and pass the data on to the Sheffield and Rotherham Wildlife Trust for the data4nature national campaign. In the summer months birds do not sing as much so rather than have no event we decided to survey the butterflies and moths on the site. This allowed us to maintain volunteer interest on the mini project.

NFM CITIZEN SCIENCE

Volunteers have continued help monitor NFM measures both at Grassmoor Country Park and in Newfield Spring Wood in the Moss Valley. At Grassmoor, volunteers have been carrying out water quality surveys to help determine whether some of the newly created NFM features are helping to filter out pollutants before they reach the Calow Brook with early indications suggesting this is the case.
Vegetation surveys are also continuing in the park to help monitor the success of the reseeding programme. Photos from the fixed-point photography posts continue to be sent in helping to capture how the NFM features develop over time and their functioning during storm events.
At Newfield Spring Woods, surveys have been conducted though the spring and summer months to capture how the river bed, banks and bankside vegetation are influenced by the leaky dams, information that is not readily available in the literature as far as we are aware.

INFORMATION BOARDS HHSS & GRCF

At the end of the Hidden Heritage Secret Streams project, we worked with the Brockwell Junior School to create an information board about the Holme Brook to put up along the footpath next to their school and in Monkey Park. These boards were designed by the students who added their own illustrations, and the board was installed on a volunteer day.

Two information boards were designed by Genie Creative for Grassmoor Country Park that encompass a map of the park including the location and explanation of the NFM features created. The content was designed with input from the Friends of Grassmoor Country Park and the boards also highlight park walking routes, wildlife and locations of fixed-point photography posts to help monitor development of the NFM features through time. Both boards have been well received with positive feedback from stakeholders, the Friends of Grassmoor Country Park, and members of the public.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

COMMUNITY HHSS/GRCF

During the final six months of the HHSS project and the following GRCF project, staff organised a variety of well-attended community engagement events. Four brook explorer events were organised in the summer holidays with a focus on families exploring nature together, which welcomed a total of 157 people. A well dressing artwork was created during the Tapton Lock Festival, celebrating the river Rother, with 180 people participating. Five walks and talks were organised for the public, including a Natural Flood Management event focusing on the new scheme created at Grassmoor Country Park and two bat walks. Education sessions were delivered to 203 children across seven educational groups and schools in the project area.

TRAINING HHSS

At the very end of 2022, we ran a Riverfly Monitoring Training Course for our volunteers in the Hidden Heritage Secret Streams project. This will allow them to continue monitoring the rivers in the Rother Catchment and help to report and prevent pollution events.

COMMUNITY EVENTS GRCF/DRAX

We attended a family fun day at the Avenue Washlands to run some pond and river dipping activities. This event was organised by the Derbyshire Wildlife Trust and allowed us to engage a lot of people and for them to get really involved in seeing aquatic invertebrates.

NFM

We took part in the Chesterfield Walking Festival together with the Friends of Grassmoor Country Park guiding members of the public around Grassmoor Country Park with stopping points to discuss the NFM features and history of the park. A talk on NFM and the Trust's activities was also given to the Loxley and Wadsley Commoners group. Feedback from both events was positive (quote below).
"I had to write tonight as you gave such an interesting talk. Several people said how much they had enjoyed it. It was good to have so many different ideas for flood management put forward . We hear about various ideas on TV and elsewhere from time to time, but no one says they are just one of various possible ideas for dealing with slowing down the excess water flow, so we don't get the bigger picture. You made it seem that there's a solution for most problem areas. Fascinating!"

AGRICULTURAL OFFICER AND HIGHWAYS ENGLAND - LITTLE DON CATCHMENT PROJECT

The Trust's newly appointed Agricultural Officer was inducted into the role and was introduced to the National Highways Little Don Natural Flood Management Fund Project. The Agricultural Officer worked with the seven participating landowners, with the support of Atkins Consultancy, to finalise and draw up the Trust / Landowner scheme agreements. The Trust further supported the landowners by offering and providing technical and process advice and support and signposting, as necessary. Measures delivered through the scheme this year include leaky barriers, soil aeration and cross-slope planting. Measures planned for next year include four online storage ponds (which require full planning permission), the remaining leaky barriers, a flow pathway bund and further cross-slope planting. In December 2021, National Highways launched a second, smaller, auction round so further schemes were drawn up; a new measure (mixed species herbal ley) was introduced to the pilot. The Trust held an information event about the project for local stakeholders including the Environment Agency.

An application to Yorkshire Water's Biodiversity Enhancement Fund to run a farm environment project was successful. The funding awarded has enabled the formation of the Dearne Valley Farmer Cluster group and the running of 11 training events, 21 free farm advice visits and soil / biodiversity monitoring schemes between May 2022 and June 2024. The Trust is working in partnership with lead farmer (Chris Harrap, Tyers Hall Farm, Barnsley) and independent farm-environment advisor (Ann Hanson, Yorkshire Farming and Wildlife Partnership) to deliver the project. This year, six farmers applied for the Countryside Stewardship scheme and several farmers accessed the Catchment Sensitive Farming advice service. Furthermore, one training event - entitled Soil and Water - was run, which raised awareness of soil health, government support and regulations.

The Agricultural Officer attended the Groundswell Regenerative Agricultural Conference.

The Trust also launched a paid Countryside Stewardship advice service and supported one landowner with a Mid-Tier Countryside Stewardship application.

DCRT OPERATIONS

The Trust now uses Citation for their 'Atlas' HR and Health and Safety systems. This has been embedded into the Trust over the last two years and is now fully operational. Trust employee numbers have remained at 10 over the year, and we have had 9 live projects.
Inflation and rising costs from suppliers have been noticeable, and this has been challenging where funding amounts are fixed for projects. However, DCRT are taking measures to reduce the impact of this on budgets. This includes including extra contingency in project budgets, assuming inflation will remain high when predicting future funding cost plans, planning capital works tendering early to secure prices, and changing suppliers / shopping around to find good prices.

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However, we have balanced finding best prices with the Trust's commitment to the environment. As a team the Trust has identified several ways to improve our impact on the environment and this will be a continuing exercise per our Environmental Policy. For example, we have chosen to seek a more sustainable supplier for our staff uniform, and now have cleaning products with less chemical and plastic use impact. This is slightly more expensive but is more environmentally friendly.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Trust is very grateful to have been awarded a total of £617,176 grants and donations during the year, the main ones of which were as follows: -

Environment Agency	£103,437
Yorkshire Water	£199,752
National Lottery Heritage	£221,382
Garfield Weston	£40,000
Drax	£25,000
Peak & Northern Footpaths	£13,877
Natural England	£9,127
Derbyshire County Council	£960
Other Donations	£3,641

£27,940 of deferred income was released from grants received in 2022.

The total expenditure of the Trust was £755,350

The main areas of expenditure were:

Project work £236,388
Staff costs £331,852
Phones and office costs £21,393
Travel and conferences £14,704
Professional Fees £121,944
General overheads £29,069

The total funds at 30 June 2023 are £398,828, with £160,561 being restricted and £238,267 unrestricted.

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FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES AND THE WAY AHEAD

While the Trust has made important progress in achieving its objectives, the rivers and streams of the Don Catchment remain ecologically impoverished and are still facing many threats. A large amount of work remains to be done. For this reason, it is important that the Trust not only sustains its current staff but that it also continues to grow as an organisation and increases the positive impact it has on the rivers and streams of our catchment.

A major priority for the Trust is to retain the talented team of staff currently employed on the Hidden Heritage Secret Streams so that we can continue to put their skills to good use, and to this end the Trust has been working on a National Lottery Heritage Fund Heritage Grant application for a project called All Hands on the Don, which is based around the natural and historic heritage of the Lower Don. This area has been relatively neglected in terms of river projects, and many of the adjacent communities suffer from deprivation. The proposed project places a major emphasis on the Trust learning how to co-deliver social good along with our traditional activities; for example, creating more opportunities for people with disabilities.

The Trust's Stage 1 application to the lottery (made in 2021) was successful, and the Trust is now working up a Stage 2 application to be submitted in February 2023 (see the All Hands on the Don section above). If successful, the Trust will deliver the 36 month project between summer 2023 and summer 2026. If an unsuccessful outcome is received then the Trust will need to reassess this strategy.

In addition to the lottery project, the Trust has also appointed a Fisheries Habitat Officer and a Catchment Partnership Officer. The former provides the Trust with capacity to develop and deliver more fish pass and other fisheries related projects, something much needed in the Don Catchment. The latter role is strengthening and promoting the Don, Dearne & Rother Network, our Catchment Partnership, helping all organisations concerned with improving the catchment's rivers work together more effectively.

If and when the All Hands on the Don project starts then the Trust will explore other ways it can meet its objectives, such as through the creation of Integrated Constructed Wetlands, or participation in Biodiversity Net Gain or green finance schemes.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Trust was formed with the incorporation, on the 12th June 2008, as a Company Limited by Guarantee. The Trust gained charitable status on 22nd February 2010.

Mr Simon Paul Firth joined as a Trustee on 15th February 2023.

The Trust was set up to promote good practice in the conservation and improvement to the habitats of the rivers, wetlands and water bodies situated within the catchments of the rivers Don, Rother and Dearne.

Charitable Objectives as stated in our registration:

Undertake, advise upon, create, conserve and support use, management conservation, protection, rehabilitation, improvement of and community benefits from the rivers, streams, watercourses, water impoundments and other aquatic environments of catchments comprising the rivers Don, Rother and Dearne including their tributaries and adjacent estuarine and coastal areas.

An association, charity, local authority, administrative or governmental agency or public body or representative body in,
(1) The understanding or rivers, river corridors and catchment, including their fauna, flora and economic or social activity, and river catchment management.
(2)The need for, and benefit of, conservation, protection, rehabilitation and improvement of aquatic environments, and
(3)The benefits to the community of effective and competent management and use of river catchments.

We rely on our own expertise and that of The Rivers Trusts. Its role is primarily as an umbrella organisation, promoting the development of the movement, and building its capacity to deliver the Trust's objectives through regional or local river trusts which include environmental improvements across England & Wales and Northern Ireland.

We work closely with our other partners, Local and Regional Councils, Natural England, Yorkshire Wildlife Trust, RSPB, the Environment Agency, the Water Company and Local Community Groups.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number
06618848 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number
1134414

Registered office
34 Middle Street South
Driffield
East Yorkshire
YO25 6PS

Trustees
C J Firth
D W Rowley
R Sedgwick
A J Newton
Dr W Brown
P Worrall
Dr P Gaskell
Mrs C Hutton
S P Firth (appointed 15/2/2023)

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Company Secretary
D W Rowley

Independent Examiner
C B Wilson
BCO Accountants LLP
34 Middle Street South
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 18 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

D W Rowley - Trustee

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Don Catchment Rivers Trust ('the Company')
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report
As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement
Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.

C B Wilson

BCO Accountants LLP
34 Middle Street South
Driffield
East Yorkshire
YO25 6PS

Date: 22 mar 2024

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DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds as restated £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Charitable activities	4				
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)		-	54,810	54,810	34,903
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams		-	126,215	126,215	131,952
Natural Flood Management		-	47,048	47,048	38,098
Stocksbridge		-	-	-	47,489
Agricultural Engagment		-	75,272	75,272	10,868
All Hands On The Don		-	100,037	100,037	25,241
Green Recovery Challenge		-	86,357	86,357	90,600
Fisheries		-	94,426	94,426	-
Footpath Society		-	13,877	13,877	-
General Grants		20,821	-	20,821	88,524
General Donations		25,628	-	25,628	-
General Sales		625	-	625	-
Investment income	3	4,144	-	4,144	209
Total		51,218	598,042	649,260	467,884
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	5				
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)		-	31,486	31,486	25,982
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams		-	225,397	225,397	216,954
Natural Flood Management		-	36,993	36,993	35,809
Somersall		-	-	-	1,328
Stocksbridge		-	-	-	22,939
Agricultural Engagment		-	53,537	53,537	27,102
All Hands On The Don		-	68,888	68,888	12,759
Green Recovery Challenge		-	164,986	164,986	11,004
Fisheries		-	47,627	47,627	-
Footpath Society		-	12,932	12,932	-
Other		109,809	3,695	113,504	62,785
Total		109,809	645,541	755,350	416,662
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(58,591)	(47,499)	(106,090)	51,222
Transfers between funds	17	(16,533)	16,533	-	-
Net movement in funds		(75,124)	(30,966)	(106,090)	51,222
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		313,391	191,527	504,918	453,696
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		238,267	160,561	398,828	504,918

The notes form part of these financial statements

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DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST

BALANCE SHEET
30 JUNE 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds as restated £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	13	-	6,966	6,966	8,588
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	14	2,887	2,545	5,432	4,572
Cash at bank and in hand		243,574	334,968	578,542	774,301
		246,461	337,513	583,974	778,873
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	15	(8,194)	(130,523)	(138,717)	(204,848)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		238,267	206,990	445,257	574,025
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		238,267	213,956	452,223	582,613
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	16	-	(53,395)	(53,395)	(77,695)
NET ASSETS		238,267	160,561	398,828	504,918
FUNDS	17				
Unrestricted funds				238,267	313,391
Restricted funds				160,561	191,527
TOTAL FUNDS				398,828	504,918

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 June 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

(a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and

(b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

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BALANCE SHEET - continued
30 JUNE 2023

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 18 March 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

D W Rowley - Trustee

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DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 as restated £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	(197,830)	352,472
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities		(197,830)	352,472
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(2,073)	(11,684)
Interest received		4,144	209
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		2,071	(11,475)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		(195,759)	340,997
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		774,301	433,304
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		578,542	774,301

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NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET (EXPENDITURE)/INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2023	2022 as restated
	£	£
Net (expenditure)/income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	(106,090)	51,222
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	3,695	5,146
Interest received	(4,144)	(209)
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(860)	19,681
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(90,431)	276,632
Net cash (used in)/provided by operations	(197,830)	352,472

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1/7/22	Cash flow	At 30/6/23
	£	£	£
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	774,301	(195,759)	578,542
	774,301	(195,759)	578,542
Total	774,301	(195,759)	578,542

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1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

Don Catchment Rivers Trust is a charitable company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales. The company's registered number is 06618848 and registered office is 34 Middle Street South, Driffield, East Yorkshire, YO25 6PS.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income
All income, including grants, is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Allocation and apportionment of costs
Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities.

Tangible fixed assets
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Office equipment	-	25% on cost
Motor vehicles	-	25% on cost
Computer equipment	-	33% on cost

Taxation
The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting
Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits
The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2023	2022 as restated
	£	£
Deposit account interest	4,144	209

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

		2023	2022 as restated
	Activity	£	£
Grants	DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	54,810	34,903
Grants	Hidden Heritage Secret Streams	126,215	131,952
Grants	Natural Flood Management	47,048	38,098
Grants	Stocksbridge	-	46,889
Sales	Stocksbridge	-	600
Grants	Agricultural Engagment	74,772	10,868
Sales	Agricultural Engagment	500	-
Grants	All Hands On The Don	59,037	25,241
Donations	All Hands On The Don	41,000	-
Grants	Green Recovery Challenge	86,357	90,600
Grants	Fisheries	94,426	-
Sales	Footpath Society	13,877	-
Grants	General Grants	20,821	86,046
Donations	General Grants	-	449
Sales	General Grants	-	2,029
Donations	General Donations	25,628	-
Sales	General Sales	625	-
		645,116	467,675

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5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 6) £	Totals £
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	29,268	2,218	31,486
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams	213,057	12,340	225,397
Natural Flood Management	36,408	585	36,993
Agricultural Engagment	45,015	8,522	53,537
All Hands On The Don	66,022	2,866	68,888
Green Recovery Challenge	162,980	2,006	164,986
Fisheries	47,108	519	47,627
Footpath Society	12,932	-	12,932
Other	37,558	75,946	113,504
	650,348	105,002	755,350

6. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management £	Finance £	Totals £
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	2,218	-	2,218
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams	12,340	-	12,340
Natural Flood Management	585	-	585
Agricultural Engagment	8,522	-	8,522
All Hands On The Don	2,866	-	2,866
Green Recovery Challenge	2,006	-	2,006
Fisheries	515	4	519
Other	75,784	162	75,946
	104,836	166	105,002

7. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2023 £	2022 as restated £
Depreciation - owned assets	3,695	5,146

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8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 June 2023 nor for the year ended 30 June 2022.

Trustees' expenses

During the year there was £376 (2022 - £298) of travel expenses reimbursed to trustees.

9. STAFF COSTS

	2023	2022 as restated
	£	£
Wages and salaries	283,468	242,075
Social security costs	22,208	15,599
Other pension costs	23,596	20,411
	329,272	278,085

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2023	2022 as restated
Project officers	10	8

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

10. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Total funds as restated
	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Charitable activities			
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	-	34,903	34,903
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams	-	131,952	131,952
Natural Flood Management	-	38,098	38,098
Stocksbridge	-	47,489	47,489
Agricultural Engagment	-	10,868	10,868
All Hands On The Don	-	25,241	25,241
Green Recovery Challenge	-	90,600	90,600
General Grants	88,524	-	88,524
Investment income	209	-	209
Total	88,733	379,151	467,884
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	-	25,982	25,982

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10. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Total funds as restated
	£	£	£
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams	-	216,954	216,954
Natural Flood Management	-	35,809	35,809
Somersall	-	1,328	1,328
Stocksbridge	-	22,939	22,939
Agricultural Engagment	-	27,102	27,102
All Hands On The Don	-	12,759	12,759
Green Recovery Challenge	-	11,004	11,004
Other	57,639	5,146	62,785
Total	57,639	359,023	416,662
NET INCOME	31,094	20,128	51,222
Transfers between funds	170,912	(170,912)	-
Net movement in funds	202,006	(150,784)	51,222
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	111,385	342,311	453,696
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	313,391	191,527	504,918

11. PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENT

The accounts to 30 June 2022 have been amended with the following effect,

The nature of the reserves were reassessed and the split of unrestricted and restricted reserves at 1 July 2021 were amended from £81,844 unrestricted and £371,852 restricted to £111,385 and £342,311 respectively.

Grants received from National Highways during the year to 30 June 2022 of £164,113 were to fund an agricultural officer for a 5 year period this income has now been deferred to reflect this and reduces the 2022 income by £105,635.

Further funds received from National Highways during the year to 30 June 2022 of £283,842 were given to be handed out at the discretion of the National Highways and as such should not have been classed as income for the trust. Grants given out from this fund of £118,494 have also been removed from expenses to be released against the resultant liability. The affect of this has reduced the net income and increased liabilities by £165,348.

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12. DEFERRED INCOME

The charity received funds in 2022 to fund an agricultural officer over a 5 year period, as such this income was deferred and the movement can be seen below,

	2023	2022 as restated
	£	£
Balance b/fwd	105,635	-
Grant received	-	164,113
Released in year	(27,940)	(58,478)
Balance c/fwd	77,695	105,635

13. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Office equipment	Motor vehicles	Computer equipment	Totals
	£	£	£	£
COST				
At 1 July 2022	1,719	17,786	8,853	28,358
Additions	1,121	-	952	2,073
At 30 June 2023	2,840	17,786	9,805	30,431
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 July 2022	1,719	10,595	7,456	19,770
Charge for year	281	2,397	1,017	3,695
At 30 June 2023	2,000	12,992	8,473	23,465
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 30 June 2023	840	4,794	1,332	6,966
At 30 June 2022	-	7,191	1,397	8,588

14. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022 as restated
	£	£
Trade debtors	100	-
Prepayments	5,332	4,572
	5,432	4,572

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15. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022 as restated
	£	£
Trade creditors	2,376	323
Social security and other taxes	8,590	8,611
Other creditors	459	466
Farmer grants	99,224	165,348
Deferred income	24,300	27,940
Accrued expenses	3,768	2,160
	138,717	204,848

16. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022 as restated
	£	£
Deferred income	53,395	77,695

17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/7/22	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 30/6/23
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	313,391	(58,591)	(16,533)	238,267
Restricted funds				
Restricted	191,527	(47,499)	16,533	160,561
TOTAL FUNDS	504,918	(106,090)	-	398,828

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	51,218	(109,809)	(58,591)
Restricted funds			
Restricted	598,042	(645,541)	(47,499)
TOTAL FUNDS	649,260	(755,350)	(106,090)

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17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/7/21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 30/6/22 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	111,385	31,094	170,912	313,391
Restricted funds				
Restricted	342,311	20,128	(170,912)	191,527
TOTAL FUNDS	453,696	51,222	-	504,918

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	88,733	(57,639)	31,094
Restricted funds			
Restricted	379,151	(359,023)	20,128
TOTAL FUNDS	467,884	(416,662)	51,222

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/7/21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 30/6/23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	111,385	(27,497)	154,379	238,267
Restricted funds				
Restricted	342,311	(27,371)	(154,379)	160,561
TOTAL FUNDS	453,696	(54,868)	-	398,828

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17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	139,951	(167,448)	(27,497)
Restricted funds			
Restricted	977,193	(1,004,564)	(27,371)
TOTAL FUNDS	1,117,144	(1,172,012)	(54,868)

18. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 June 2023.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

	2023	2022 as restated
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	4,144	209
Charitable activities		
Grants	563,486	464,597
Donations	66,628	449
Sales	15,002	2,629
	645,116	467,675
Total incoming resources	649,260	467,884
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	241,325	219,445
Employers NI	19,033	13,413
Pensions	19,719	17,986
Travel	7,672	6,879
Project work undertaken	236,388	8,878
Motor expenses	3,153	3,353
Training	3,127	4,037
Professional fees	113,534	55,855
Staff costs	1,343	3,210
Volunteer costs	5,054	3,563
	650,348	336,619
Support costs		
Management		
Wages	42,143	22,630
Employers NI	3,175	2,186
Pensions	3,877	2,425
Office rent	12,240	12,240
Insurance	6,330	2,250
Telephone	2,057	2,216
Office costs	7,096	9,759
Promotional expenses	7,930	3,083
Sundries	4,067	2,972
Travel	1,733	1,147
Motor expenses	2,146	2,557
Training	-	880
Subscriptions	811	1,699
Accountancy	2,173	2,220
Carried forward	95,778	68,264

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

	2023	2022 as restated
	£	£
Management		
Brought forward	95,778	68,264
Professional fees	3,110	4,874
Recruitment	-	693
Staff costs	1,237	678
Volunteer costs	1,016	216
Depreciation of tangible and heritage assets	3,695	5,146
	104,836	79,871
Finance		
Bank charges	166	172
Total resources expended	755,350	416,662
Net (expenditure)/income	(106,090)	51,222

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DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1134414

Accounts

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DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

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The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Trust had five key objectives

1. Create additional wetlands & washlands along the rivers. To enable the rivers to better absorb water at time of flooding and to provide connectivity to enable wildlife to flourish.
2. Improve fish passage. A WFD requirement to allow the free passage of migratory and natural movement of non- migratory fish up and down the rivers
3. Improve access for people to the river. We want to see people reconnected with their rivers.
4. Re-naturalize river channels. Extensive canalisation has been undertaken throughout the catchment adversely impacting on its ecology.
5. Promote improved water quality & diffuse pollution control. This remains the greatest threat to the ecology of our rivers

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

The most significant event of this year has been the continuance of the Covid-19 pandemic and how the Trust adapted its working practices to deal with the situation, meet the government restrictions and keep our staff and volunteers safe.

Summary of the Trust activities during the year:

- Delivery of the NLHF funded, Hidden Heritage and Secret Streams (HHSS) project, based around community engagement and river heritage.
- Development and delivery of Natural Flood Management projects in the upper Rother Catchment.
- Discussions with the Environment Agency on fish pass priorities.
- Collaboration with the University of Sheffield on an environmental DNA project.
- Continued employment of a managing director and operations director, without specific financial assistance.
- Contribute to the control/removal of invasive plants species.
- Host and contribute to the Don, Dearne and Rother Catchment Partnership.
- Meeting of Yorkshire Rivers Trusts and the National Rivers Trust.
- Periodic meetings with the Environment Agency and Yorkshire Water.
- Expansion of Trust influence by networking with many local organizations

The Trust was involved in a number of projects during the year:

MEETING OF YORKSHIRE RIVERS TRUSTS HUB AND CATCHMENT PARTNERSHIPS HUB

This is an informal regular series of meetings between the catchment hosts in Yorkshire to exchange ideas to the mutual benefit of the trusts. It is very much supported by the EA and allows all of us to have access to their senior management team. It in no way affects the independence of the trusts and their focus on local issues. The Yorkshire Hub for Catchment Partnerships has now been formed to improve the relationship between Yorkshire Partnerships and to have a co-ordinated view for meetings with the EA.

WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT

The Trust has continued to make considerable use of the website and it is the primary means of communication with our wider group and enables us to easily and effectively report on issues and achievements. The website is the key to our engagement with the local community and we see this as a key element in our future working. We understand that the website is the first port of call for potential partners and funders to get an understanding of the Trust and its track record. We have also been utilizing other social networking media, Facebook, Twitter etc. Arrangements have been made for the website to be regularly maintained and for updates to be more easily completed.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Social media has enabled the Trust to engage with volunteers and the public in an effective way throughout the pandemic. It allowed us to communicate the work of the Trust and help raise awareness of how people can take action to help to improve the rivers in our catchment.

In the last year we have been involved in several social media campaigns, including the Great British Spring Clean, Volunteer Week, Invasive Species Week, Mental Health Awareness Week, End Sewage Pollution and several more.

We have been using Twitter, Instagram and Facebook and have had lots of engagement. Facebook statistics show there has been a huge increase in interactions during the lockdown, which we believe is due partly to staff sharing more material on the platform over this period. Currently we have 1,226 followers on Facebook, 1,679 on Twitter and 470 on Instagram.

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MAJOR PROJECTS OF THE TRUST:

LIVING HERITAGE OF THE RIVER DON PROJECT (LHRD)

The Living Heritage of the River Don project was completed in December 2018. The Trust continues a watching brief to ensure that the fish passes continue to work efficiently.

HIDDEN HERITAGE SECRET STREAMS (HHSS)

Volunteering activities continued throughout this financial period, with volunteers partaking in educational & events volunteering, catchment volunteering and citizen science. Volunteers were offered training courses in floodplain meadow surveying, hedge-laying, first-aid, INNS, fungi-identification, bat identification and underwater camerawork. Corporate volunteers were engaged, such as FLOD, a start-up that created eco-friendly plant pots from plastic and glass collected on river clean-ups, and Fletcher's Waste Management, whose staff took part in two volunteer days and additionally provided heavy machinery for NFM work.

After reduced participation in educational visits during the pandemic of 2020, educational activities were highly sought during this financial period. DCRT worked with several primary schools and uniformed groups on a mixture of events ranging from; earthworm surveys; river-dipping; recycled-material boat races; well-dressing; and art sessions. DCRT worked with young people at Chesterfield College offering a class with special educational needs and disabilities a week of voluntary experience, including industrial archaeology; boat-trips; bird-box making; wetland management; kick-sampling; and a river clean-up. DCRT also offered a week of social action experience to young people on National Citizen Service during their summer break. DCRT welcomed a work experience student for a week and took part in the Kickstart scheme, providing a paid 6-month opportunity to an unemployed, young person. Brook Explorer community events were held in the school holidays, which proved popular with families and included the themes of boat races; nature embroidery; river-dipping; flower-pressing; birdfeeders; and bug-hunting. Several public walks were held during this period with a focus on natural flood management; wildflowers; bats; foraging; canals and industrial history. Two additional interpretation boards were created for the Holme Brook valley trail, of which the artwork was created by children in the nearby infant school. A temporary summer holiday activity trail was also installed for families to take part in. DCRT attended several volunteer fairs, local fêtes and community events with their stall and activities.

In November 2021, planning permission (with conditions) was received for the Natural Flood Management and habitat improvement scheme at Grassmoor Country Park. We tendered for a Designer and Principal Designer to draw up the final scheme ready to discharge the planning conditions. The successful application to the Green Recovery Challenge Fund in the previous financial year, meant that both phases of the scheme could be delivered concurrently in the 2022/23 financial year.

Moss Footpath, as a bolt-on to the HHSS capital works, was established in July on a section of riverside public right of way in the Ridgeway area of the Moss Valley. This section was suffering from poor winter conditions for footpath users, leading to people widening the path to find passage, trampling sensitive adjacent flora. Delivered by local contractors, BikeTrack, we now have a 600m section of footpath which also serves to reduce the amount of sediment entering the river channel, improving instream habitats for fish, invertebrate and aquatic plants. This, along with two scrapes that were built, aims to also improve flood management within the moss catchment.

OTHER ENGAGEMENT WORK

DCRT took part in Doncaster "Artbomb", an experimental arts festival designed to provoke debate across current environmental and ecological thinking. Funding was awarded to DCRT and Artbomb to provide artist residencies to local, national and international artists. A series of field trips and research workshops were provided for the artists to inspire artwork to be displayed during the Artbomb summer festival.

DCRT took part in the Data4Nature project and has set up an ongoing monthly bird survey at Wardsend Cemetery, on the river Don, where volunteers record ornithological data.

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ALL HANDS ON THE DON - new National Heritage Lottery Project

Following confirmation by the National Lottery Heritage Fund (NLHF), Stage 2 of the development phase of the application has begun. All Hands on The Don is a major priority for the Trust as it will provide the opportunity to retain the Trust's talented team of staff currently employed on the Hidden Heritage Secret Streams project.

All Hands on the Don is based around the natural and historic heritage of the Lower Don. This area has been relatively neglected in terms of river restoration projects, and many of the adjacent communities suffer from acute deprivation. It will be a mixture of capital works and community engagement with the latter forming the majority of the project over a 3-year period from 2023-2026. Capital works are intended to be undertaken at Sprotbrough Ings, Doncaster, through the creation of ponds and a floodplain meadow, with linked engagement activities. Other sites have also been identified for potential habitat improvement.

Key themes within the project have been agreed as follows:

· Increase health and wellbeing.
· Foster community action, inclusion and cohesion.
· Increase skills and employability.
· Accessing and celebrating river heritage and fostering understanding of the river and river issues.

These themes will see the Trust conduct engagement which it already knows how to do effectively together with engagement which is new, such as providing more opportunities for people with disabilities and mental health issues.

A full-time Project Development Assistant has been appointed and will commence employment from June 2022 which will allow the development of the project to gather pace.

A project board has been created to monitor the progress of the development phase and is comprised of trustees, staff, Environment Agency, Yorkshire Water and Doncaster Council.

The NLFH are supportive of the project and the Trust is confident the application to them will be successful. However, if the application is not successful, steps will need to be taken with urgency to consider alternative projects and funding opportunities.

CABA – CATCHMENT HOSTING – THE DON, DEARNE & ROTHER NETWORK

The Trust was reappointed by DEFRA in 2021 as Catchment Hosts for the Don & Rother Catchment Partnership. The role of Catchment Host is to provide a focused environment for getting more people involved and engaged in the catchment based approach (CaBA). We are doing this through the growth of the Don, Dearne & Rother Network. The Network contains over 200 members, with a diverse range of focuses and purposes, but all sharing a common interest to improve and care for our rivers together as a catchment. We have representations from the public, private, charity and regulatory sectors, who have varied interests including river users (fishing, canoeing, walkers etc), flood risk management, fishery (fish pass installation & management), habitat improvement and restoration and water quality improvement. All of the catchment partners are passionate about the rivers and waterbodies in the Don Catchment.

The Trust carries out the following activities on behalf of the Network:

· Regular email and newsletter updates (bimonthly newsletter).
· Social media communication and campaigns.
· Attendance at Network members meetings in the catchment.
· Organisation of a 'Network Day'.
· Attending the Yorkshire Hub – attended by Yorkshire based catchment partnerships.
· Engaged in the River Basin Management Plan consultation with the Environment Agency.

This year, following on from a workshop that was organised to help define the role of a potential Catchment Partnership Officer, a role specification was developed, and candidates were interviewed in October, with an Officer appointed in November 2021.

To help increase the resource available to carry out the role, Don Catchment Rivers Trust was able to gain funding from Yorkshire Water in 2021, and this funding will help to develop the Catchment Partnership.

During the first few months in post, the Catchment Partnership Officer looked into ways to help strengthen the Catchment Partnership, and a stakeholder analysis was carried out to help understand who the stakeholders are in the catchment, and where there were possible gaps. Following this an engagement plan was produced, and the Officer worked towards a Network Day for July 2022.

Further improvements to the existing catchment partnership Storymap were made and this was relaunched through the newsletter. Additional Storymaps are being produced to help improve communication of key issues further.

Following the stakeholder analysis and engagement plan work, a key focus area identified has been to strengthen the links and membership in the Catchment Partnership with the agricultural and farming community. This work is deemed particularly important due to the development of Environmental Land Management schemes, and how these will complement and link into the work of the Catchment Partnership going forwards. The Catchment Partnership Officer has been increasing engagement with this sector through contact with farming cluster groups, training events, agricultural focused meetings and agricultural partnerships/organisations.

It was also identified that it will be important for key partners to collaborate in the catchment, and develop the direction of the partnership, and therefore during early 2022 we developed a proposal for a steering group for the catchment partnership. It is proposed that the steering group will also provide a forum for key partners to develop ideas around future projects in the catchment.

FISHERIES HABITAT

Community Engagement

On Saturday 21st May we hosted an event at Meadowhall Oasis' outside food court to celebrate World Fish Migration Day 2022 – a global event to help promote fish passage. We made fish flags, showed short films about fish migration, including an animation children from Rotherham had made and organised a fish pass walk for the public. It was a fun and worthwhile event that we plan to run again in 2023.

In August, we worked with South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority to install some large engagement stickers at the Meadowhall Interchange asking people to submit any salmon sightings to us as well as providing some simple information on how to identify a salmon and the context of their initial demise and nascent return.

We have run four 'fish filming workshops' showing people how to use GoPros to take videos of fish within the river. It has proved to be a popular and engaging activity.

Habitat improvements

In June, we commissioned Paul Gaskell of the Wild Trout Trust to produce a 'Advisory Visit' report for two sites within the Don Catchment at Salmon Pastures (Don) and The Avenues (Rother). We have started work with gaining consent to allow us to do some of the suggestions for Salmon Pastures to be delivered in 2023/24.

In January, we provided some additional habitat features at Somersall Park, Chesterfield following the installation of several Large Woody Dams within the channel. We organised a volunteer day, showing attendees the technique for 'hinging' a small tree into the river to provide marginal cover for fish.

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Volunteer Activities

Dedicated volunteers continued to donate their time to improve the river environment. Volunteer tasks have included litter-picks on riversides, cleaning up waterways, monitoring wildlife, invasive species control, tree planting, waymarking and access improvements. Natural Flood Management tasks have become a larger focus of volunteering, with leaky-dam building days now a regular event. Volunteers continue to bring invaluable skills and knowledge to the Trust, for example a bird-box monitoring project was established. Volunteers have also been invaluable in their work on the Hidden Heritage Secret Streams project and working to help maintain the Don Valley Way.

FISH PASSAGE

Now that the final fish pass at Masbrough, Rotherham has been completed, free passage has been established for migratory species as far as the northern end of Sheffield. To ensure that the passes are properly maintained the Trust has established a working group consisting of representatives from all the organisations who own the structures. The group meet on a quarterly basis to ensure that the passes remain in a serviceable condition.

Stocksbridge weir removal has moved along further this year and we were able to appoint FishTek as consultants to design and build (i.e. dismantle the weir). To get to this place, we were required to apply for some additional funds through the EA's FIP and WEIF and engage with landowners and other interested parties. Consultants have been appointed and will start work at the beginning of 2023 with an aim to have the project delivered by the end of summer 2023.

NATURAL FLOOD MANAGEMENT - UPPER RIVER ROTHER & GRASSMOOR COUNTRY PARK

Considerable time has been spent continuing the development of the NFM and habitat enhancement scheme at Grassmoor Country Park including preparation of the documents required to discharge the conditions of planning approval which was granted in November 2021. New designers were appointed after the original designers failed to meet the brief and the tender for contractors to deliver the project was released in June 2021. Regular meetings have been held with the project board throughout and public engagement has been ongoing to continue raising awareness and support for the scheme which will be pivotal to its success. Citizen science projects to monitor changes to the landscape and vegetation as a result of the project have also continued.

Regular NFM volunteer days have continued including monthly activities at Newfield Spring Woods in the Moss Valley. Over 60 features have now been installed in this 12ha woodland to help slow the flow including 16 leaky dams and over 40 smaller leaky barriers. A monitoring project has also been set up in the wood to assess the impact of the leaky dams on the river channel and surrounding woodland flora, undertaken by volunteers in the spring and summer months. The NFM Officer has been collaborating with the Sheffield and Rotherham Wildlife Trust to expand the leaky dam works into the neighbouring Moss Valley reserve. Suitable locations have been agreed and consent granted with delivery planned to begin in autumn 2022. NFM volunteers have also been involved with the continued management of a farm NFM scheme along the banks of the Rother in Grassmoor by removing Himalayan Balsam and laying a section of hedgerow. Corporate volunteer days delivered both leaky dams at Newfield Spring Wood and the restoration of three attenuation ponds in Holmebrook Valley Park.

A bolt-on project to the original ICASP NFM opportunity mapping that will identify priority areas for NFM and the most effective intervention types in three Upper Rother sub-catchments has been progressing well. Two stakeholder workshops have been held to incorporate local knowledge and expertise and engage local landowners. The focus will be on monitoring and delivery of the model findings going forward.

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AGRICULTURAL OFFICER AND HIGHWAYS ENGLAND - LITTLE DON CATCHMENT PROJECT

The Trust's newly appointed Agricultural Officer was inducted into the role and was introduced to the National Highways Little Don NFM Fund Project. The Agricultural Officer worked with the seven participating landowners, with the support of Atkins Consultancy, to finalise and draw up the Trust / Landowner scheme agreements. The Trust further supported the landowners by offering and providing technical and process advice and support and signposting, as necessary. Measures delivered through the scheme this year include leaky barriers, soil aeration and cross-slope planting. Measures planned for next year include four online storage ponds (which require full planning permission), the remaining leaky barriers, a flow pathway bund and further cross-slope planting. In December 2021, National Highways launched a second, smaller, auction round so further schemes were drawn up; a new measure (mixed species herbal ley) was introduced to the pilot. The Trust held an information event about the project for local stakeholders including the Environment Agency.

An application to Yorkshire Water's Biodiversity Enhancement Fund to run a farm environment project was successful. The funding awarded has enabled the formation of the Dearne Valley Farmer Cluster group and the running of 11 training events, 21 free farm advice visits and soil / biodiversity monitoring schemes between May 2022 and June 2024. The Trust is working in partnership with lead farmer (Chris Harrap, Tyers Hall Farm, Barnsley) and independent farm-environment advisor (Ann Hanson, Yorkshire Farming and Wildlife Partnership) to deliver the project. This year, six farmers applied for the Countryside Stewardship scheme and several farmers accessed the Catchment Sensitive Farming advice service. Furthermore, one training event - entitled Soil and Water - was run, which raised awareness of soil health, government support and regulations.

The Agricultural Officer attended the Groundswell Regenerative Agricultural Conference.

The Trust also launched a paid Countryside Stewardship advice service and supported one landowner with a Mid-Tier Countryside Stewardship application.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Trust is very grateful to have been awarded a total of £857,152 grants during the year, the main ones of which were as follows: -

Environment Agency	£108,761
Yorkshire Water	£80,982
National Lottery Heritage	£192,763
European Open Rivers Trust	£16,318
Wild Trout Trust	£600
National Highways	£447,955
Coalfield Regeneration	£5,054
Derbyshire County Council	£2,000
Other Donations	£2,719

The total expenditure of the Trust was £534,496

The main areas of expenditure were:

Project work £127,372
Staff costs plus overheads £291,362
Phones and office costs £24,215
Travel + conferences £8.026
Professional Fees £60,729
General overheads £22,792

The total funds at 30 June 2022 are £776,561, with £492,051 being restricted and £284,510 unrestricted.

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FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES AND THE WAY AHEAD

While the Trust has made important progress in achieving its objectives, the rivers and streams of the Don Catchment remain ecologically impoverished and are still facing many threats. A large amount of work remains to be done. For this reason, it is important that the Trust not only sustains its current staff but that it also continues to grow as an organisation and increases the positive impact it has on the rivers and streams of our catchment.

A major priority for the Trust is to retain the talented team of staff currently employed on the Hidden Heritage Secret Streams so that we can continue to put their skills to good use, and to this end the Trust has been working on a National Lottery Heritage Fund Heritage Grant application for a project called All Hands on the Don, which is based around the natural and historic heritage of the Lower Don. This area has been relatively neglected in terms of river projects, and many of the adjacent communities suffer from deprivation. The proposed project places a major emphasis on the Trust learning how to co-deliver social good along with our traditional activities; for example, creating more opportunities for people with disabilities.

The Trust's Stage 1 application to the lottery (made in 2021) was successful, and the Trust is now working up a Stage 2 application to be submitted in February 2023 (see the All Hands on the Don section above). If successful, the Trust will deliver the 36 month project between summer 2023 and summer 2026. If an unsuccessful outcome is received then the Trust will need to reassess this strategy.

In addition to the lottery project, the Trust has also appointed a Fisheries Habitat Officer and a Catchment Partnership Officer. The former provides the Trust with capacity to develop and deliver more fish pass and other fisheries related projects, something much needed in the Don Catchment. The latter role is strengthening and promoting the Don, Dearne & Rother Network, our Catchment Partnership, helping all organisations concerned with improving the catchment's rivers work together more effectively.

If and when the All Hands on the Don project starts then the Trust will explore other ways it can meet its objectives, such as through the creation of Integrated Constructed Wetlands, or participation in Biodiversity Net Gain or green finance schemes.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Trust was formed with the incorporation, on the 12th June 2008, as a Company Limited by Guarantee. The Trust gained charitable status on 22nd February 2010.

The Trust was set up to promote good practice in the conservation and improvement to the habitats of the rivers, wetlands and water bodies situated within the catchments of the rivers Don, Rother and Dearne.

Charitable Objectives as stated in our registration:

Undertake, advise upon, create, conserve and support use, management conservation, protection, rehabilitation, improvement of and community benefits from the rivers, streams, watercourses, water impoundments and other aquatic environments of catchments comprising the rivers Don, Rother and Dearne including their tributaries and adjacent estuarine and coastal areas.

An association, charity, local authority, administrative or governmental agency or public body or representative body in,
(1) The understanding or rivers, river corridors and catchment, including their fauna, flora and economic or social activity, and river catchment management.
(2)The need for, and benefit of, conservation, protection, rehabilitation and improvement of aquatic environments, and
(3)The benefits to the community of effective and competent management and use of river catchments.

The Project work is undertaken by the original Trustees and the Project Officer.

We rely on our own expertise and that of The Rivers Trusts. Its role is primarily as an umbrella organisation, promoting the development of the movement, and building its capacity to deliver the Trust's objectives through regional or local river trusts which include environmental improvements across England & Wales and Northern Ireland.

We work closely with our other partners, Local and Regional Councils, Natural England, Yorkshire Wildlife Trust, RSPB, the Environment Agency, the Water Company and Local Community Groups.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number
06618848 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number
1134414

Registered office
34 Middle Street South
Driffield
East Yorkshire
YO25 6PS

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Trustees
C J Firth
D W Rowley
R Sedgwick
A J Newton
Dr W Brown
P Worrall
Dr P Gaskell
Mrs C Hutton
R Parker (resigned 1/7/2021)

Mr Roger Parker resigned during the year. Dr Edward Shaw, a former trustee, continues in the role of managing director on a part time basis. His prime responsibility is to secure the future of the Trust with a succession of new projects.

Company Secretary
D W Rowley

Independent Examiner
C B Wilson
FCCA
BCO Accountants LLP
34 Middle Street South
Driffield
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 14 March 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

D W Rowley - Trustee

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Don Catchment Rivers Trust ('the Company')
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report
As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement
Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of FCCA which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.

C B Wilson
FCCA
BCO Accountants LLP
34 Middle Street South
Driffield
East Yorkshire
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14 March 2023

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Charitable activities	4				
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)		-	34,903	34,903	17,000
The Masbrough Weir Fish Pass		-	-	-	(10,571)
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams		-	131,952	131,952	344,149
Natural Flood Management		-	38,098	38,098	88,200
Wild Waterways		-	-	-	23,298
Somersall		-	-	-	2,923
Stocksbridge		-	47,489	47,489	2,800
Agricultural Engagment		-	116,503	116,503	-
All Hands On The Don		-	25,241	25,241	-
Green Recovery Challenge		-	90,600	90,600	-
National Highways Farmer		-	283,842	283,842	-
General Grants		88,524	-	88,524	4,939
Investment income	3	209	-	209	32
Other income		-	-	-	8,900
Total		88,733	768,628	857,361	481,670
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	5				
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)		-	25,982	25,982	9,340
The Masbrough Weir Fish Pass		-	-	-	28,901
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams		-	216,954	216,954	129,589
Natural Flood Management		-	35,809	35,809	32,354
Wild Waterways		-	-	-	2,969
Somersall		-	1,328	1,328	-
Stocksbridge		-	22,939	22,939	-
Brelms		-	-	-	99
Spotbrough Ings		-	-	-	3,838
Agricultural Engagment		-	27,102	27,102	-
All Hands On The Don		-	12,759	12,759	-
Green Recovery Challenge		-	11,004	11,004	-
National Highways Farmer		-	118,494	118,494	-
Other		57,639	5,146	62,785	160,465
Total		57,639	477,517	535,156	367,555
NET INCOME		31,094	291,111	322,205	114,115
Transfers between funds	14	170,912	(170,912)	-	-
Net movement in funds		202,006	120,199	322,205	114,115
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		81,844	371,852	453,696	339,581

The notes form part of these financial statements

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		283,850	492,051	775,901	453,696

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BALANCE SHEET
30 JUNE 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	11	-	8,588	8,588	2,050
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	12	-	4,572	4,572	24,253
Cash at bank and in hand		286,832	487,469	774,301	433,304
		286,832	492,041	778,873	457,557
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(2,982)	(8,578)	(11,560)	(5,911)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		283,850	483,463	767,313	451,646
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		283,850	492,051	775,901	453,696
NET ASSETS		283,850	492,051	775,901	453,696
FUNDS	14				
Unrestricted funds				283,850	81,844
Restricted funds				492,051	371,852
TOTAL FUNDS				775,901	453,696

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 June 2022.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2022 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

(a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and

(b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

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These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 14 March 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

D W Rowley - Trustee

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DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	352,472	122,688
Net cash provided by operating activities		352,472	122,688
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(11,684)	-
Interest received		209	32
Net cash (used in)/provided by investing activities		(11,475)	32
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		340,997	122,720
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		433,304	310,584
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		774,301	433,304

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1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2022 £	2021 £
Net income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	322,205	114,115
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	5,146	2,409
Interest received	(209)	(32)
Decrease in debtors	19,681	1,185
Increase in creditors	5,649	5,011
Net cash provided by operations	352,472	122,688

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1/7/21 £	Cash flow £	At 30/6/22 £
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	433,304	340,997	774,301
	433,304	340,997	774,301
Total	433,304	340,997	774,301

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1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

Don Catchment Rivers Trust is a charitable company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales. The company's registered number is 06618848 and registered office is 34 Middle Street South, Driffield, East Yorkshire, YO25 6PS.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income
All income, including grants, is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Allocation and apportionment of costs
Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities.

Tangible fixed assets
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Office equipment	-	25% on cost
Computer equipment	-	33% on cost

Taxation
The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting
Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits
The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2022	2021
	£	£
Deposit account interest	209	32

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Activity	2022	2021
		£	£
Grants	DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	34,903	17,000
Grants	The Masbrough Weir Fish Pass	-	(10,571)
Grants	Hidden Heritage Secret Streams	131,952	344,149
Grants	Natural Flood Management	38,098	88,200
Grants	Wild Waterways	-	23,298
Grants	Somersall	-	2,923
Grants	Stocksbridge	47,489	2,800
Grants	Agricultural Engagment	116,503	-
Grants	All Hands On The Don	25,241	-
Grants	Green Recovery Challenge	90,600	-
Grants	National Highways Farmer	283,842	-
Grants	General Grants	88,524	4,939
		857,152	472,738

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs	Support costs (see note 6)	Totals
	£	£	£
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	22,855	3,127	25,982
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams	197,393	19,561	216,954
Natural Flood Management	34,792	1,017	35,809
Somersall	1,328	-	1,328
Stocksbridge	22,363	576	22,939
Agricultural Engagment	24,511	2,591	27,102
All Hands On The Don	11,945	814	12,759
Green Recovery Challenge	10,703	301	11,004
National Highways Farmer	118,494	-	118,494
Other	-	62,785	62,785
	444,384	90,772	535,156

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6. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management	Finance	Totals
	£	£	£
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	3,125	2	3,127
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams	19,561	-	19,561
Natural Flood Management	1,017	-	1,017
Stocksbridge	570	6	576
Agricultural Engagment	2,591	-	2,591
All Hands On The Don	814	-	814
Green Recovery Challenge	301	-	301
Other	62,621	164	62,785
	90,600	172	90,772

7. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2022	2021
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	5,146	2,409

8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 June 2022 nor for the year ended 30 June 2021.

Trustees' expenses

During the year there was £298 (2021 - £185) of travel expenses reimbursed to two trustees.

9. STAFF COSTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	257,674	180,239
Other pension costs	20,411	14,445
	278,085	194,684

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2022	2021
Project officers	8	7

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

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10. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Charitable activities			
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	-	17,000	17,000
The Masbrough Weir Fish Pass	-	(10,571)	(10,571)
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams	-	344,149	344,149
Natural Flood Management	-	88,200	88,200
Wild Waterways	-	23,298	23,298
Somersall	-	2,923	2,923
Stocksbridge	-	2,800	2,800
General Grants	2,511	2,428	4,939
Investment income	32	-	32
Other income	8,900	-	8,900
Total	11,443	470,227	481,670
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
DDRN (Formerly Catchment Based Approach)	-	9,340	9,340
The Masbrough Weir Fish Pass	-	28,901	28,901
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams	-	129,589	129,589
Natural Flood Management	-	32,354	32,354
Wild Waterways	-	2,969	2,969
Brelms	-	99	99
Spotbrough Ings	-	3,838	3,838
Other	76,562	83,903	160,465
Total	76,562	290,993	367,555
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(65,119)	179,234	114,115
Transfers between funds	57,265	(57,265)	-
Net movement in funds	(7,854)	121,969	114,115
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	89,698	249,883	339,581
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	81,844	371,852	453,696

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11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Office equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 July 2021	1,719	8,198	6,757	16,674
Additions	-	9,588	2,096	11,684
At 30 June 2022	1,719	17,786	8,853	28,358
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 July 2021	1,718	6,150	6,756	14,624
Charge for year	1	4,445	700	5,146
At 30 June 2022	1,719	10,595	7,456	19,770
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 30 June 2022	-	7,191	1,397	8,588
At 30 June 2021	1	2,048	1	2,050

12. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade debtors	-	24,253
Prepayments	4,572	-
	4,572	24,253

13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade creditors	323	-
Social security and other taxes	8,611	4,998
Other creditors	466	-
Accruals and deferred income	2,160	913
	11,560	5,911

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/7/21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 30/6/22 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	81,844	31,094	170,912	283,850
Restricted funds				
Restricted	371,852	291,111	(170,912)	492,051
TOTAL FUNDS	453,696	322,205	-	775,901

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14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	88,733	(57,639)	31,094
Restricted funds			
Restricted	768,628	(477,517)	291,111
TOTAL FUNDS	857,361	(535,156)	322,205

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/7/20 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 30/6/21 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	89,698	(65,119)	57,265	81,844
Restricted funds				
Restricted	249,883	179,234	(57,265)	371,852
TOTAL FUNDS	339,581	114,115	-	453,696

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	11,443	(76,562)	(65,119)
Restricted funds			
Restricted	470,227	(290,993)	179,234
TOTAL FUNDS	481,670	(367,555)	114,115

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14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/7/20 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 30/6/22 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	89,698	(34,025)	228,177	283,850
Restricted funds				
Restricted	249,883	470,345	(228,177)	492,051
TOTAL FUNDS	339,581	436,320	-	775,901

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	100,176	(134,201)	(34,025)
Restricted funds			
Restricted	1,238,855	(768,510)	470,345
TOTAL FUNDS	1,339,031	(902,711)	436,320

15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 June 2022.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	2022 £	2021 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	209	32
Charitable activities		
Grants	857,152	472,738
Other income		
Covid grants	-	8,900
Total incoming resources	857,361	481,670
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	222,772	140,725
Pensions	17,343	-
Insurance	-	2,044
Telephone	-	1,545
Travel	6,879	3,038
Project work undertaken	127,372	134,579
Motor expenses	3,353	2,141
Training	4,037	2,152
Professional fees	55,855	-
Staff costs	3,210	-
Volunteer costs	3,563	-
	444,384	286,224
Support costs		
Management		
Wages	34,902	39,514
Pensions	3,068	14,445
Office rent	12,240	12,240
Insurance	2,250	4,842
Light and heat	-	448
Telephone	2,216	-
Office costs	9,759	4,584
Advertising	3,083	-
Sundries	2,972	188
Travel	1,147	185
Motor expenses	2,557	-
Training	880	-
Subscriptions	1,699	1,550
Accountancy	2,220	926
Professional fees	4,874	-
Carried forward	83,867	78,922

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	2022 £	2021 £
Management		
Brought forward	83,867	78,922
Recruitment	693	-
Staff costs	678	-
Volunteer costs	216	-
Depreciation of tangible and heritage assets	5,146	2,409
	90,600	81,331
Finance		
Bank charges	172	-
Total resources expended	535,156	367,555
Net income	322,205	114,115

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DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1134414

Accounts

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DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR
ENDED 30 June 2021

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 June 2021

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The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Trust had five key objectives

1. Create additional wetlands & washlands along the rivers. To enable the rivers to better absorb water at time of flooding and to provide connectivity to enable wildlife to flourish.
2. Improve fish passage. A WFD requirement to allow the free passage of migratory and natural movement of non-migratory fish up and down the rivers
3. Improve access for people to the river. We want to see people reconnected with their rivers.
4. Re-naturalize river channels. Extensive canalisation has been undertaken throughout the catchment adversely impacting on its ecology.
5. Promote improved water quality & diffuse pollution control. This remains the greatest threat to the ecology of our rivers.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The most significant event of this year has been the continuance of the Covid-19 pandemic and how the Trust adapted its working practices to deal with the situation, meet the government restrictions and keep our staff and volunteers safe.

Covid-19

It is important to record how the staff at the Trust reacted to this pandemic. Government guidelines were followed exactly and much time was spent monitoring the regulations and keeping up to date. As the projects of the Trust are all funded it was feasible to keep all staff members employed and not have to resort to the Government furlough scheme. The Trust offices were closed down when necessary and all staff worked from home when possible. The important issues were keeping in touch with our team of volunteers and being able to deliver our NHLF Activity Plan. With help from the Lottery team and Heritage Insider, the Team were able to deliver outputs safely using a variety of on-line techniques. It was interesting to hear from the Lottery Team how many other projects had just shut up shop. They were very impressed with the just carry on attitude of the Trust staff and used DCRT as an example of what can be achieved in difficult circumstances.

Summary of the Trust activities during the year:

- Delivery of a the NLHF funded, Hidden Heritage and Secret Streams (HHSS) project, based around community engagement and river heritage.
- Development and delivery of Natural Flood Management projects in the upper Rother Catchment.
- Discussions with the Environment Agency on fish pass priorities.
- Collaboration with the University of Sheffield on an environmental DNA project.
- Continued employment of a managing director and operations director, without specific financial assistance.
- Contribute to the control/removal of invasive plants species.
- Host and contribute to the Don Catchment Partnership.
- Meeting of Yorkshire Rivers Trusts and the national Rivers Trust.
- Periodic meetings with the Environment Agency and Yorkshire Water.
- Expansion of Trust influence by networking with many local organizations

The Trust was involved in a number of projects during the year:

MEETING OF YORKSHIRE RIVERS TRUSTS HUB AND CATCHMENT PARTNERSHIPS HUB

This is an informal regular series of meetings between the catchment hosts in Yorkshire to exchange ideas to the mutual benefit of the trusts. It is very much supported by the EA and allows all of us to have access to their senior management team. It in no way affects the independence of the trusts and their focus on local issues. The Yorkshire Hub for Catchment Partnerships has now been formed to improve the relationship between Yorkshire Partnerships and to have a co-ordinated view for meetings with the EA.

WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT

The Trust has continued to make considerable use of the website and it is the primary means of communication with our wider group and enables us to easily and effectively report on issues and achievements. The website is the key to our engagement with the local community and we see this as a key element in our future working. We understand that the website is the first port of call for potential partners and funders to get an understanding of the Trust and its track record. We have also been utilizing other social networking media, Facebook, Twitter etc. Arrangements have been made for the website to be regularly maintained and for updates to be more easily completed.

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SOCIAL MEDIA

Social media has enabled the Trust to engage with volunteers and the public in an effective way throughout the pandemic. It allowed use to communicate the work of the Trust and help raise awareness of how people can take action to help to improve the rivers in our catchment.
In the last year we have been involved in several social media campaigns, including the Great British Spring Clean, Volunteer Week, Invasive Species Week, Mental Health Awareness Week, End Sewage Pollution and several more.

We have been using Twitter, Instagram and Facebook and have had lots of engagement. Facebook statistics show there has been a huge increase in interactions during the lockdown, which we believe is due partly to staff sharing more material on the platform over this period. Currently we have 1,226 followers on Facebook, 1,679 on Twitter and 470 on Instagram.

MAJOR PROJECTS OF THE TRUST:

LIVING HERITAGE OF THE RIVER DON PROJECT (LHRD)

The Living Heritage of the River Don project was completed in December 2018. The Trust continues a watching brief to ensure that the fishpasses continues to work efficiently.

HIDDEN HERITAGE SECRET STREAMS (HHSS)

Significant progress has been made with the capital works component of the project. Slittingmill Weir, a large weir on the River Rother, was removed in October. This removal of this weir has made a major contribution to the restoration of ecological connectivity in the Rother, and has helped renaturalise river habitat along a 600 m reach of the river.

In conjunction with HHSS the Trust's NFM Officer has also continued to develop a large Natural Flood Management scheme at Grassmoor Country Park. Concept designs were produced, ecological, coal mining and contamination surveys were undertaken, and a planning application was prepared. We can now deliver three of the four project zones the next financial year.

The Trust continued engagement work for the HHSS project over the financial year, despite two government-imposed lockdowns and restrictions to usual activities. Momentum for HHSS was maintained through an online events programme of wildlife identification training sessions, digital tours of the river, history and conservation talks, nature-themed art workshops and photography competitions. By taking the opportunity to use online platforms for engagement, the Trust reached larger, wider audiences and maintained interest in the project. DCRT also worked to offer opportunities for connection and support to volunteers by hosting a weekly online tea-break. During school closures, children's activity packs were provided to the local foodbank and libraries, and local families received well-dressing activity kits to take part in a socially-distant art project.

Six riverside walking trails were established across the project area with the input of the local community who tested walking routes, researched local history, created audio guides and improved access. Four interpretation boards on the natural and industrial heritage of the river have been installed, designed using artwork created during community workshops. An online platform has been launched which maps the sixwalking trails and hosts the audio guides, developed by social enterprise Kakou.

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Dedicated volunteers continued to donate their time to improve the river environment, even during the lockdown period. Volunteer tasks have included litter-picks on riversides, cleaning up waterways, monitoring wildlife, invasive species control and access improvements. Natural Flood Management tasks have become a larger focus of volunteering, with leaky-dam building days now a regular event. Volunteers continue to bring invaluable skills and knowledge to the Trust, for example a bird-box monitoring project was established.

OTHER ENGAGEMENT WORK

The Trust took part in the University of Sheffield's Festival of the Mind event, working with Dr Dawson from the Animal and Plant Sciences department to deliver an illustrated walking trail map, podcast and sculpture which celebrated the return of the Salmon to Sheffield. The sculpture remains on display at Sheffield Railway Station, welcoming new visitors to the city.

The Trust completed a community project to celebrate the construction of the Masbrough Weir fishpass in collaboration with Rotherham's creative writing charity Grimm & Co. Nine children participated in six online, after-school sessions were they created characters, a storyline and wrote a script for an animated film about the salmon's return. The short film was shown at an online premiere with the children and other stakeholders.

Supported by Heritage Lottery Community Fund, DCRT were awarded funding to continue offering activities to families using foodbanks during the pandemic, who may have limited access to digital resources. A river animal 'top-trumps' style card game was produced and donated to libraries in deprived areas and foodbanks, who distributed them to children during the lockdown.

CABA – CATCHMENT HOSTING – THE DON NETWORK

The Trust was reappointed by DEFRA as joint Catchment Hosts for the Don & Rother Catchment Partnership, together with the Environment Agency.

The role of Catchment Host is to provide an environment for getting more people involved and engaged in the catchment based approach (CaBA). We are doing this through the growth of the Don Network (rebranded as the Don, Dearne & Rother Network this year), which has over 200 individual subscribers. We have representations from the public and private sectors, conservation groups and charities, anglers, water sports groups and members of the public passionate about the rivers in the Don Catchment.

The Trust carries out the following activities on behalf of the Network:

- Regular email and social media communication with members, providing news and updates on a wide range of river related issues, including a quarterly newsletter
- Attendance at Network members meetings in the catchment
- Organisation of a 'Don Network Day' with a wide range of speakers attended by over 50 people
- Provision of workshops and training on catchment issues
- Attending the Yorkshire Hub – attended by Yorkshire based catchment partnerships
- Engaged in the River Basin Management Plan consultation

This year, following on from previous workshop events, the decision was taken to re-brand as The Don, Dearne & Rother Network. A new logo was designed, alongside a standalone website and new email address and social media accounts for the Network.

During the year, the Trust and the Environment Agency revised and updated the catchment plan, and this is now hosted on the new DonDearneRother.org website. Thanks to funding from Yorkshire Water via The Rivers Trust we have been able to develop a data hub, and this is presented as a Story Map on the website.

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Owing to lock down restrictions, the annual Network Day was held online via Zoom in December 2020. A range of speakers gave updates on their new and upcoming projects, and the revised Catchment Plan and new website was launched.

The Trust worked with the Environment Agency's Catchment Co-Ordinator to populate a template with information that will form a webpage for the Don, Dearne & Rother Network on the new CaBA Catchment Partnership section of the CaBA website.

FISH PASSAGE

The completion of the construction of the fish pass at Masbrough in the centre of Rotherham spring 2021 was a seminal moment in the restoration of the River Don's salmon population. Following its completion, a number of salmon were observed in the City of Sheffield for the first time in more than 200 years. Even more encouraging was the capture of a salmon parr by a local angler, indicating that the fish are once again reproducing in the river. This event marked the achievement one of the Trust's key objectives. Having reached this milestone, the Trust has not sat back on its laurels. The Trust has removed Slittingmill Weir on the River Rother (see the Hidden Heritage Secret Streams item), and we are now working on identifying further obstructions to fish passage on the upper river and a weir at Stocksbridge has been the focus of attention. Discussions with the Local Authority are well advanced and it is hoped that the structure can be removed within the period of the next Annual Report.

NATURAL FLOOD MANAGEMENT - UPPER RIVER ROTHER

Considerable time has been spent developing the NFM scheme at Grassmoor Country Park (mentioned under the HHSS item), including preparation of all documents required to support the planning permission application. A contract manager and designers for the scheme have also been appointed and a project board of key stakeholders established. Citizen science projects have been set up to start monitoring changes to the landscape and vegetation as a result of the scheme.

Various other NFM projects throughout the Upper Rother catchment are at different stages of development. Regular volunteer days at Newfield Spring Wood at the top of the Moss Valley have seen the installation of numerous leaky barriers of varying designs (leaky dams, mini-dams, spiling) with plans underway to expand into neighbouring woodlands owned by Sheffield and Rotherham Wildlife Trust and the Woodland Trust

The core works for a farm NFM scheme along the banks of the Rother in Grassmoor have been delivered together with the farmer and volunteers. Interventions include the creation of multiple scrapes and attenuations ponds, soil health improvements (replacement of arable crops with diverse herbal leys), improved hedgerow management, planting a new hedgerow, buffer strip creation, and balsam pulling.

Leaky dam volunteer days have also been held at Holmebrook Valley Park and another project to tackle flooding of a new development in Renishaw is also in the early stages of development.

An application for a bolt-on project to the original ICASP NFM opportunity mapping was successful and will be modelling three sub catchments in greater detail. This will allow priority areas for a wider suite of interventions to be identified as well as quantity the impacts they will have. It is hoped the outputs will aid buy in from landowners and attract funding for delivery.

A number of both virtual and in-person engagement events have taken place over the last year raising awareness of NFM and the activities being undertaken by the Trust to help reduce flood risk in the Upper Rother. These have included guided walks as part of the Chesterfield Walking Festival and online talks for the Trust and as part of Transition Chesterfield's series of events building up to COP26. The NFM Officer also helped organise and co-host an event with the ICASP NFM Community of Practitioners (CoP) which included a virtual site visit to the farm NFM scheme. The event was well received and virtual site visits will now be a regular feature of future NFM CoP activities. The NFM Officer has since joined the Steering Board for the CoP.

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One such scheme is in woodlands within the Moss Valley in collaboration with a private landowner where we held our first NFM volunteer day. Over 20 volunteers helped to install small-scale NFM measures such as gully stuffing with brash and overland spiling that intercept water pathways. Permissions are in place for leaky dam installation once social distancing restrictions allow.

Another example is a large scheme at Grassmoor Country Park where together with support from the councils, EA, Friends of Groups and other stakeholders, key zones have been identified within the park for NFM interventions, comprising features such as multiple series of scrapes, wet grassland with semi-permanent and permeant pools and wet woodland. This work has allowed the Trust to take on delivery of the scheme as part of the HHSS project. So far, circa £19k is being spent on development (including a £5k contribution from DCC), with £108k allocated to design and delivery. Contractors are currently carrying out site investigation works to help inform the designs.

Recent funding bids have also been successful with £13k being awarded from Severn Trent Water's Boost for Biodiversity fund for an extensive NFM scheme on 6 ha of farmland in the Grassmoor area through which the River Rother flows. Work with neighbouring landowners has also begun and shows great promise for further slowing flows in the area, enhancing and creating wildlife habitat, capturing carbon and improving the water quality of the Rother.

The progress made in the Trust's NFM work over the last year and a half was incorporated into another application to the Local Levy for a further three year's funding for the NFM officer from April 2021. This was successful with £116k awarded which will allow for all the projects currently in development to be seen through to completion as well as build on the momentum developed through the project so far and deliver an even wider portfolio of projects throughout the catchment.

AGRICULTURAL OFFICER AND HIGHWAYS ENGLAND - LITTLE DON CATCHMENT PROJECT

In last year's Trustee report we stated our ambition to appoint an Agricultural Officer to enable us to engage with the farming community and begin to tackle the hitherto neglected issue of diffuse and point source agricultural pollution in the Don Catchment. In June of this year we were able to realise this ambition.

The new role is partially funded by a Highways England project in the Little Don Catchment. The A616 that runs through the catchment is periodically disrupted by pluvial flooding, and so Highways England want to reduce this flooding by paying landowners to deliver interventions that reduce runoff on their land. To do this they needed a locally based organisation to liaise with landowners on their behalf, and so the Trust's new Agricultural Officer can provide this role.

Highway England's Little Don Project trials the use of a reverse auction approach as a means of encouraging willing landowners to propose interventions, enabling Highways England to identify and fund the most cost-effective interventions. It is anticipated that the project will run for five years.

The Agricultural Officer is also funded through the Yorkshire Water Catchment Resilience Fund, and an important part of their role is to develop new projects with landowners that improve the ecological condition of the rivers and streams in the Don Catchment.

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WILD WATERWAYS PROJECT

The Trust has concluded the first year of the Wild Waterways Project, during which potential sites for nature-based solution interventions were identified in the Kearsley Brook and Bentley Mill Stream Catchments. The aim is for the project to go on and deliver some of these nature-based solutions, and in so doing, slow the flow of water, reduce diffuse pollution, create new habitats, and sequester carbon.

GREEN RECOVERY CHALLENGE FUND

In June 2021 the Trust was notified it had been successful in applying to the Government's Green Recovery Challenge Fund. Our application was mainly for funding that delivered an additional NFM scheme at Grassmoor Country Park that complemented the scheme funded through the Hidden Heritage Secret Streams project. The project also provides funding for the appointment of the Wild Waterways Project Officer.

SOMERSALL PARK HABITAT ENHANCEMENT WORKS

Early 2021 the Trust installed large woody debris (LWD) along the River Hipper as it runs through Somersall Park to improve habitat. LWD is fundamental to many river processes, improving the in-channel habitat for fish as well as providing habitat for other riverine species including the aquatic insects which certain species of fish, bird and bat feed upon. Two information boards were also installed to raise awareness of park users of the importance of woody debris and the multiple benefits it brings to the wildlife you can see at the park.

This project was funded by the Environment Agency's Fisheries Improvement Programme (FIP) and was supported by Chesterfield Borough Council, Derbyshire County Council and Robinson Packaging (landowner).

APPRENTICE POST WITHIN DCRT

With support from the National Heritage Lottery, DCRT has been able to provide an opportunity for an apprentice to work in our NHLF project. This year the apprentice has been able to complete the Level 3 apprenticeship in environmental conservation course. This involved completing a series of work relevant units which provided a wide range of skills and experiences to help with a future career.

These units included planning, delivering and evaluating environmental projects, habitat management, managing volunteer work, producing interpretive media and several more units. This year provided a new challenge as the whole country was shut down due to the COVID 19 pandemic. This resulted in lots of the planned work for the summer being cancelled. A different approach was required to come up with creative solutions to complete course working from home. Over the last few years the Don Catchment Rivers Trust has provided work opportunities on many exciting tasks including natural flood management, wetland restoration, volunteer activities, sign/bench installations and the production of a leaflet for the Don Valley Way.

KICKSTART SCHEME

The Government's Kickstart Scheme provides funding to create new jobs for 16 to 24 year olds on Universal Credit. By participating in the scheme the Trust has recruited a Young Persons Conservation Assistant for a six month placement. The assistant works with Trust staff to create resources and activities that will encourage young people to care for their natural environment. They also participate in volunteering days and other events, and promote work via social media.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Trust is very grateful to have been awarded a total of £472,738 grants during the year, the main ones of which were as follows: -

Environment Agency	£193,439
Lottery Heritage Fund	£109,131
Derbyshire County Council	£5,000
Severn Trent Water	£13,000
Yorkshire Water	£155,000
The Rivers Trust	£2,000
The Coalfields Regeneration Trust	£2,510
The University of Sheffield	£1,000
Groundwork	£1,000
Rotherham Borough Council were repaid	(£10,571)

The total expenditure for the year of the Trust was £367,555

The main areas of expenditure were:

External Services	£134,579
Staff costs plus overheads	£194,683
Office costs	£17,460
Travel and conferences	£5,364
General overheads	£13,542

The total funds at 30 June 2021 are £453,696, with £371,852 being restricted and £81,844 unrestricted.

RESERVES POLICY

The policy of the Trust for Reserves is to retain sufficient funds to continue to operate for three months in the event of the Trust getting into financial difficulties. This would include staff redundancy costs. However, the Trust only undertakes projects for which funding has already been confirmed thus covering staff costs and project staff who are engaged on fixed contracts. Thus the potential redundancy costs are minimised. Larger projects have redundancy costs built into the project costs.

The Trust is a project oriented charity, so whatever additional funds are accumulated will be used to fund the start-up of new projects. This is an area of expenditure where it is very difficult to get funders to directly fund.

The Trust's operational policy is that it only undertakes projects for which it has obtained funding. It does not undertake projects using its own funding. However, it does need to be able to develop projects to a level where they can properly be presented to funders and funding sought. It is the Trust's policy to have fully developed and costed projects awaiting funding ready on the shelf awaiting a funding opportunity. Funding opportunities quite often arise with a very short time window for applications. It is only by having projects on the shelf that these opportunities can be exploited.

As the Trust only undertakes project which are fully funded it is able to devote all unrestricted funding to meeting its Reserves Policy including the initial developing of new projects.

The Trust will regularly monitor and review the effectiveness of the policy in the light of the changing funding and financial climate and other risks.

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FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES AND THE WAY AHEAD

While the Trust has made important progress in achieving its objectives, the Don Catchment still faces many issues and a vast amount of work remains to be done. For this reason, it is important that the Trust not only sustains its current staff but that it also continues to grow as an organisation and increases the positive impact it has on the rivers and streams of our catchment.

A major priority for the Trust is to retain the Trust's talented team of staff currently employed on the Hidden Heritage Secret Streams so that we can continue to put their skills to good use, and to this end the Trust has been working on a National Lottery Heritage Fund Heritage Grant application for a project based around the natural and historic heritage of the Lower Don. This area has been relatively neglected in terms of river restoration projects, and many of the adjacent communities suffer from deprivation. The proposed project, called All Hands on the Don, will have a major emphasis on the Trust learning how to co-deliver social good along with our traditional activities; for example, creating more opportunities for people with disabilities. Another new direction for the Trust is the plan to create a floodplain meadow; a type of intervention which has a lot of potential to provide ecological gains in the Lower Catchment. The application deadline is August 2021 and the outcome should be received before the end of the year. If successful, the Trust will start a 12 month development phase in 2022. If an unsuccessful outcome is received, then the Trust will need to reassess its strategy.

In addition to the lottery project, in the next financial year we intend to appoint a Fisheries Habitat Officer and a Catchment Partnership Officer. The former will provide the Trust with capacity to develop and deliver more fish pass and other fisheries related projects, something much needed in the Don Catchment. The latter role will strengthen and promote the Don, Dearne & Rother Network, our Catchment Partnership, helping all organisations concerned with improving the catchment's rivers work together more effectively.

Despite the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic the prospects for DCRT remain good and we expect to achieve more than ever before in the coming year.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Trust was formed with the incorporation, on the 12th June 2008, as a Company Limited by Guarantee. The Trust gained charitable status on 22nd February 2010.

The Trust was set up to promote good practice in the conservation and improvement to the habitats of the rivers, wetlands and water bodies situated within the catchments of the rivers Don, Rother and Dearne.

Charitable Objectives as stated in our registration:

Undertake, advise upon, create, conserve and support use, management conservation, protection, rehabilitation, improvement of and community benefits from the rivers, streams, watercourses, water impoundments and other aquatic environments of catchments comprising the rivers Don, Rother and Dearne including their tributaries and adjacent estuarine and coastal areas.

An association, charity, local authority, administrative or governmental agency or public body or representative body in,
(1) The understanding or rivers, river corridors and catchment, including their fauna, flora and economic or social activity, and river catchment management.
(2) The need for, and benefit of, conservation, protection, rehabilitation and improvement of aquatic environments, and
(3) The benefits to the community of effective and competent management and use of river catchments.

The Project work is undertaken by the original Trustees, the Director, the Project Manager and the Project Team.
During this last year the number of projects undertaken by the Trust has increased. This has necessitated a restructuring of the organisation. The Director has been renamed Managing Director, with primary responsibilities for securing future projects and funding. The project management role has been upgraded tp Operations Director, with responsibilities for all project delivery.

We rely on our own expertise and that of The Rivers Trusts. Its role is primarily as an umbrella organisation, promoting the development of the movement, and building its capacity to deliver the Trust's objectives through regional or local river trusts which include environmental improvements across England & Wales and Northern Ireland.

We work closely with our other partners, Local and Regional Councils, Natural England, Yorkshire Wildlife Trust, RSPB, the Environment Agency, Yorkshire Water and Local Community Groups.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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Trustees
There were nine Trustees on the Board:

Dr Will Brown	Andrew Newton	Bob Sedgwick
Chris Firth MBE	Roger Parker	Peter Worrall
Dr Paul Gaskell	David Rowley, chairman	Carys Hutton

Dr Edward Shaw, a former trustee, continues in the role of director on a part time basis. His prime responsibility is to secure the future of the Trust with a succession of new projects.

Company Secretary
D W Rowley

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 12th Feb 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

D W Rowley - Trustee

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Don Catchment Rivers Trust ('the Company')
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report
As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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

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Date: 15 February 2022

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 June 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Charitable activities	4				
Brelms		-	-	-	-
Catchment Based Approach		-	17,000	17,000	15,000
Natural Flood Management		-	88,200	88,200	-
Wild Waterways		-	23,298	23,298	-
Masborough Weir Fish Pass Delivery		-	(10,571)	(10,571)	640,000
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams Delivery		-	344,149	344,149	116,761
Somersall		-	2,923	2,923	-
Stocksbridge		-	2,800	2,800	-
Unrestricted					
General Grants		2,511	2,428	4,939	10,092
Investment income	3	32	-	32	443
Other income		8,900	-	8,900	10,000
Total		11.443	470,227	481,670	792,296
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Brelms			99	99	-
Catchment Based Approach		-	9,340	9,340	11,427
Natural Flood Management		-	32,354	32,354	30,928
Sprotbrough Ings		-	3,838	3,838	-
Masborough Weir Fish Pass Development		-	-	-	14.434
Masborough Weir Fish Pass Delivery		-	28,901	28,901	435.664
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams Delivery		-	130,309	130,309	116,146
Wild Waterways		-	2,969	2,969	-
Unrestricted Activities		-	-	-	-
Other		76,562	83,183	159,745	108,246
Total		76,562	290,993	367,555	716,845
NET INCOME		(65,119)	179,234	114,115	75,451
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Transfers		57,265	(57,265)	-	-
Total funds brought forward		89,698	249,883	339,581	264,130
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		81,844	371,852	453,696	339,581

The notes form part of these financial statements

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DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST

BALANCE SHEET
AT 30 June 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets		-	2,050	2,050	4,459
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9		24,253	24,253	25,438
Cash at bank		81,844	351,460	433,304	310,584
		81,844	375,713	457,557	336,022
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	-	5,911	5,911	900
NET CURRENT ASSETS		81,844	369,802	451,646	335,122
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		81,844	371,852	453,696	339,581
NET ASSETS		81,844	371,852	453,696	339,581
FUNDS	12				
Unrestricted funds				81,844	89,698
Restricted funds				371,852	249,883
TOTAL FUNDS				453,696	339,581

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BALANCE SHEET - CONTINUED
AT 30 June 2021

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 June 2021.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

(a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and

(b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 12th Feb 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:

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D W Rowley - Trustee

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DON CATCHMENT RIVERS TRUST

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 June 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Cash generated from operations	1	122,688	65,546
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		-	-
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Interest received		32	443
Purchase of Fixed assets			
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		32	443
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		122,720	65,989
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		310,584	244,595
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		433,304	310,584

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1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2021	2020
	£	£
Net income for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)	114,115	75,451
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	2,409	4,683
Interest received	(32)	(443)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	1,185	(3,183)
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	5,011	10,962)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	122,688	65,546

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1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

Don Catchment Rivers Trust is a charitable company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales. The company's registered number is 06618848 and registered office is 34 Middle Street South, Driffield, East Yorkshire, YO25 6PS.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income
All income, including grants, are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Allocation and apportionment of costs
Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities.

Tangible fixed assets
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Vehicles	-25% on cost
Office Equipment	-25% on cost
Computer Equipment	-33% on cost

Taxation
The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting
Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

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Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits
The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2021	2020
	£	£
Deposit account interest	32	443

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Activity	2021 £	2020 £
Grants	Wild Waterways	23,298	-
Grants	Catchment Based Approach	17,000	15,000
Grants	Natural Flood Management	88,200	-
Grants	The Masborough Weir Fish Pass	(10,571)	640,000
Grants	Somersall	2,923	-
Grants	Hidden Heritage Secret Streams Del	344,149	116,761
Grants	Stocksbridge	2,800	-
	General Grants	4,939	10,092
		472,738	781,853

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Other grants	472,738	781,853

5. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2021	2020
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	2,409	4,683
Independent Examiners Remuneration	926	1,063

6. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 June 2021 nor for the year ended 30 June 2020.

Trustees' expenses

During the year there was £185 (2020 - £1,189) of travel expenses reimbursed to one trustee.

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7. STAFF COSTS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Wages and salaries	180,239	173,671
Other pension costs	14,445	11,699
	194,683	185,370

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2021	2020
Project officers	7	7

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

8. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Total funds
	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Charitable activities			
Dearne Connectivity Project			
Catchment Based Approach		15,000	15,000
Living Heritage of The River Don			
The Masborough Weir Fish Pass	55,000	585,000	640,000
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams Delivery		116,761	116,761
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams Development			
Unrestricted General Grants	10,092		10,092
Investment income	443		443
Other income	10,000		10,000
Total	75,535	716,761	792,296
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Natural Flood Management	30,928		30,928
Catchment Based Approach		11,427	11,427
Hidden Heritage Secret Streams Delivery		116,146	116,146
The Moss Brook			
The Masborough Weir Fish Pass Development		14,434	14,434
The Masborough Weir Fish Pass Delivery		435,664	435,664
Other	27,774	80,472	108,246
Total	58,702	658,143	716,845
NET INCOME	16,833	58,618	75,451

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8. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES – continued

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Total funds
	£	£	£
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Transfers	(25,104)	25,104	
Total funds brought forward	97,969	166,161	264,130
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	89,698	249,883	339,581

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021	2020
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	24,253	25,438

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021	2020
	£	£
Trade creditors	-	
Social security and other taxes	4,998	
Other creditors		
Accruals and deferred income	913	900
	5,911	900

11. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Within one year	12,240	12,240

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12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 01/07/20 £	Net movement in funds	At 30/06/21 £
Unrestricted Funds	89,698	(65,119)	
Project Completed – Catchment Based Approach		9,872	
- Masborough Fees		42,000	
- Brelms		5,017	
- Tesco Bags of Help 1		376	81,844
Restricted Funds	249,883	179,234	
Project Completed – Catchment Based Approach		(9,872)	
- Masborough Fees		(42,000)	
- Brelms		(5,017)	
- Tesco Bags of Help 1		(376)	371,852
TOTAL FUNDS	339,581	114,115	453,696

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	68,708	76,562	(7,854)
Restricted funds			
Restricted	412,962	290,993	121,969
TOTAL FUNDS	481,670	367,555	114,115

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Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 01/07/19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30/06/20 £
Unrestricted Funds			
General fund	97,969	(8,271)	89,698
Restricted Funds			
Restricted	166,161	83,722	249,883
TOTAL FUNDS	264,130	75,451	339,581

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	50,431	(58,702)	(8,271)
Restricted funds			
Restricted	741,865	(658,143)	83,722
TOTAL FUNDS	792,296	(716,845)	75,451

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 01/07/19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30/06/21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	97,969	(16,125)	81,844
Restricted funds			
Restricted	166,161	205,691	371,852
TOTAL FUNDS	264,130	189,566	453,696

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12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	119,139	(135,264)	(16,125)
Restricted funds			
Restricted	1,154,827	(949,136)	205,691
TOTAL FUNDS	1,273,966	(1,084,400	189,566

13. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 June 2021.

14. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

		Office Equip £	Computer Equip £	Vehicles £	Total £
Cost					
Opening Balance	01/07/2020	1,719	6,757	8,198	16,674
Disposals					
		1,719	6,757	8,198	16,674
Additions					
Closing Balance	30/06/2021	1,719	6,757	8,198	16,674
Depreciation					
Opening Balance	01/07/2020	1,718	6,397	4,100	12,215
Disposals					
Charge for the year			359	2,050	2,409
Closing Balance	30/06/2021	1,718	6,756	6,150	14,624
Net book Value	30/06/2021	1	1	2,048	2,050

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 June 2021

	2021 £	2020 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	32	443
Charitable activities		
Grants	472,738	781,853
Other income		
Covid Grant	8,900	10,000
Total incoming resources	481,670	792,296
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	140,725	139,859
Insurance	2,044	1,359
Telephone	1,545	1,784
Office costs		1,544
Travel	3,038	6,563
Project work undertaken	134,579	479,681
Motor expenses	2,141	2,623
Donations		67
Training	2,152	3,228
Professional Fees		5,450
	286,224	642,158
Other		
Pensions	14,445	11,699
Support costs		
Management		
Wages	39,514	33,813
Office rent	12,240	14,958
Insurance	4,842	3,207
Recruitment	448	-
Office costs	4,584	2,671
Sundries	188	360
Travel	185	1,189
Training		-
Subscriptions	1,550	1,044
Accountancy	926	1,063
Depreciation of tangible and heritage assets	2,409	4,683
	66,886	62,988
Total resources expended	367,555	716,845
Net income	114,115	75,451

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