

LOVE HAMBROOK MARSHES CIO

England & Wales · Charity number 1156473

Details

Other names LHM

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Company number [CE001188](#)

Registered 2014-03-31

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

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Activities

Objects: TO PROTECT, MANAGE AND PRESERVE THE HAMBROOK MARSHES FOR THE BENEFIT OF WILDLIFE AND FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT.

Activities: Protection and conservation of wetland area known as Hambrook Marshes near Canterbury Kent, including public access.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Environment/conservation/heritage, Recreation
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Kent

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£30,271	£13,800	-	-
2024-03-31	£19,096	£6,513	-	-
2023-03-31	£10,473	£2,203	-	-
2022-03-31	£18,998	£2,749	-	-
2021-03-31	£24,941	£12,339	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr RICHARD JAMES NORMAN		2018-01-10
ELIZABETH SIAN PETTMAN		2014-02-06
Hilary Janet Adams		2018-01-10
MARGARET DOROTHEA LOVE		2014-02-06
Michael Walter		2016-03-01
Paul Roberts		2020-09-04
Peter Gordon Campbell		2026-01-16

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name LOVE HAMBROOK MARSHES CIO	No (if any)
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01-Apr-24	To	Period end date 31-Mar-25
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	10,192		-	10,192	10,829
Grants	14,877	2,610	-	17,487	7,803
Interest	2,592		-	2,592	464
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	27,661	2,610	-	30,271	19,096
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	27,661	2,610	-	30,271	19,096
A3 Payments					
Maintenance	2,165	-	-	2,165	3,522
Insurance	161	-	-	161	153
Administration	411	-	-	411	289
Workshop	2,563	-	-	2,563	2,549
Contract Kent Wildlife Trust	5,890	2,610	-	8,500	
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	11,190	2,610	-	13,800	6,513
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	11,190	2,610	-	13,800	6,513
Net of receipts/(payments)	16,471	-	-	16,471	12,583
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	76,599	-	-	76,599	64,016
Cash funds this year end	93,070	-	-	93,070	76,599

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cafbank	41,210		-
	Metro bank	51,860	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	93,070	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	H Adams	H Adams	4.7.25	
	R Norman	R Norman	4.7.25	



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1.4.2024 To 31.3. 2025

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Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The Trustees have continued to manage the land in conformity with Natural England requirements to protect and conserve it as wetland, protect wildlife, ensure continuity of grant income, and maintain public access.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees, in promoting the objects of the CIO, have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
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Policy on social investment including program related investment		N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The CIO continues to use the assistance of volunteers for activities such as litter-picking. Some maintenance work is also done in occasional sessions with volunteers provided by the Kentish Stour Countryside Partnership.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>This review provides a summary of what has been achieved during 2024-25 mapped against each of the aims.</p> <p>AIM 1: Ensure that Hambrook Marshes remain open, undeveloped marshland</p> <p>(a) The continuing existence of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation ensures that, for the foreseeable future, this aim will be met.</p> <p>(b) Site insurance is in place for basic public liability, and for problems arising from contamination.</p> <p>(c) Trustees ensure that the site is managed as farm land in order to claim the annual Natural England Basic Payment Scheme to fund maintenance and infrastructure work on the site.</p> <p>(d) The CIO continued to receive funding from the Natural England Countryside Stewardship Higher Tier grant scheme on a year-by-year basis, and the site is managed to meet the requirements of the scheme to maintain the site as wet grassland.</p> <p>(e) The agreement established with the Kentish Stour Countryside Partnership in 2023-24 functioned well in 2024-25 and plays an important part in ensuring a continuing future for the site and its management.</p> <p>AIM 2 Ensure conservation of the site through effective land management</p> <p>(a) Cattle were brought in to graze the site in the summer, as required by Natural England grant conditions in order to maintain the site as wet grassland.</p>

	<p>(b) Maintenance work included the renewal and repair of stiles, fences and gates.</p> <p>(c) Hay was cut in summer 2024.</p> <p>(d) Mowing of the riverside and cycle path margins was again undertaken.</p> <p>(e) Clearance of litter continued on a weekly basis.</p> <p>(f) Site maintenance continued to be monitored in according with an annual Inspection Regime and a Calendar of Tasks.</p> <p>AIM 3 Protect and encourage plant and wild life</p> <p>(a) One of the trustees who has specialist knowledge of wildlife continues to perform the role of monitoring wildlife habitats and exploring opportunities for environmental improvement.</p> <p>(b) A number of hibernacula were created on the site to encourage reptiles and amphibians.</p> <p>(c) Willow was again harvested by local basket weavers.</p> <p>AIM 4 Guarantee the existing public access to the site</p> <p>(a) The agreement with Kent County Council and Canterbury City Council for the operation and maintenance of the Great Stour Way as a permissive path for pedestrians and cyclists continued in place.</p> <p>(b) Permissive public access across the site via footpaths was maintained.</p> <p>AIM 5 Encourage community involvement in the site</p> <p>(a) Monthly Newsletters containing updates on all site activities including wildlife reports were circulated electronically and published on the CIO web-site.</p> <p>(b) Volunteers from Kentish Stour Countryside Partnership provided help with scrub clearance.</p> <p>(c) A team of volunteers has continued to provide help with activities which include litter picking and site maintenance.</p> <p>(d) The Charity's Facebook group is effective in encouraging interest in the site and its flora and fauna among the local community.</p> <p>(e) An arrangement has been made with a local primary school for visits to the site for nature study, and an educational resources pack has been produced.</p>
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Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity has sufficient funds to continue for the foreseeable future which is important as it is dependent on grants and donations.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The charity aims to keep a reserve higher than its annual expenditure as the repairs and improvements that are needed periodically are considerable and the income is limited.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£93,070
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustee vacancies are publicly advertised, and appointments are made by the existing trustees. Election to specific roles is by the votes of the trustees. No new trustees were appointed in 2024-25.

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Other		

Reference and Administrative details

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Other name the charity uses	LHM
Registered charity number	1156473
Charity's principal address	34 St Michael's Place, Canterbury CT2 7HQ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Jon Winder	Chair	1.4.24 – 31.3.25	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

Other optional information

N/A

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	R. J. Norman	Hilary Adams
Full name(s)	Richard Norman	Hilary Adams
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	Treasurer
Date	4.7.25	



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Achievements and Performance

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will be made for 2024-25.

(b) Maintenance work included the renewal and repair for stiles, fences and gates.

(c) Hay was cut in August and September 2023 but was not suitable for a hay harvest.

(d) Mowing of the riverside and cycle path margins was again undertaken.

(e) Clearance of litter continued two or three times a week.

(f) Site maintenance continued to be monitored in accordance with an annual Inspection Regime and a Calendar of Tasks.

AIM 3 Protect and encourage plant and wild life

(a) One of the trustees who has specialist knowledge of wildlife continues to perform the role of monitoring wildlife habitats and exploring opportunities for environmental improvement.

(b) Flora on site included continuing populations of southern marsh orchids and snake's head fritillaries, and particularly abundant growth of marsh marigolds and pale toadflax.

(d) Willow was again harvested by local basket weavers.

(d) Bird life included a great white egret, a new species for the site. The continuing decline in numbers of snipe was a cause for concern and further thought will be given to possible ways of improving the habitat for this species.

AIM 4 Guarantee the existing public access to the site

(a) The agreement with Kent County Council and Canterbury City Council for the operation and maintenance of the Great Stour Way as a permissive path for pedestrians and cyclists continued in place.

(b) Permissive public access across the site via footpaths was maintained.

(c) The CIO was again given a Green Flag Community Award.

(d) The willow maze, which is a popular feature for visiting families, was repaired and renewed.

(e) Fallen trees created access problems in certain locations, and have been dealt with to ensure continuing access.

AIM 5 Encourage community involvement in the site

(a) Monthly Newsletters containing updates on all site activities including wildlife reports, together with an Annual Report, were

		<p>circulated electronically and published on the CIO web-site.</p> <p>(b) Volunteers from Kentish Stour Countryside Partnership provided help with scrub clearance.</p> <p>(c) A team of volunteers has continued to provide help with activities which include litter picking and site maintenance.</p> <p>(d) FE students from Canterbury College helped with the planting of willow cuttings.</p> <p>(e) Art students from Canterbury College created an attractive mural on the brickwork of the old railway embankment, featuring wildlife and grazing animals.</p>
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Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustee vacancies are publicly advertised, and appointments are made by the existing trustees. Election to specific roles (e.g. Chair) is by the votes of the trustees. No new trustees have been appointed in the past year.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	In view of the increasing demands on Trustees as a result of their direct involvement in maintenance activity, a thorough review of the arrangements was undertaken, and a decision was made to establish a new relationship with the Kentish Stour Countryside Partnership. It was decided that KSCP would take over primary responsibility for routine management and maintenance, in return for an annual fee. A Memorandum of Understanding was agreed with KSCP, to come into effect for the year 2024-2025. This will place the work to protect, manage and preserve Hambrook Marshes on a firmer and more secure footing. Trustees will cooperate with KSCP on strategic management issues, and will continue to exercise responsibility for other objectives including the financial viability of the CIO's activities, reporting to the Charity Commission, and relations with the public and the local community.
Other		

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Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Love Hambrook Marshes CIO
Other name the charity uses	LHM
Registered charity number	1156473
Charity's principal address	26 Orchard Street, Canterbury CT2 8AP

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Jon Winder	Chair		
2	Hilary Adams	Treasurer		
3	Margaret Love	Trustee		
4	Richard Norman	Secretary		
5	Sian Pettman	Trustee		
6	Paul Roberts	Land Manager		
7	Michael Walter	Trustee		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

Other optional information

N/A

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	J Winder	R Norman
Full name(s)	Jon Winder	Richard Norman
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Secretary
Date	16.8.24	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name LOVE HAMBROOK MARSHES CIO	No (if any)
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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01-Apr-23	To	Period end date 31-Mar-24
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	10,829		-	10,829	474
Grants	7,803		-	7,803	8,688
Grazing	-		-	-	900
Interest	464		-	464	358
Fund raising			-	-	53
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	19,096	-	-	19,096	10,473
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	19,096	-	-	19,096	10,473
A3 Payments					
Maintenance	3,522	-	-	3,522	1,515
Insurance	153	-	-	153	
Administration	289	-	-	289	118
Workshop	92	2,457	-	2,549	570
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
Sub total	4,056	2,457	-	6,513	2,203
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	4,056	2,457	-	6,513	2,203
Net of receipts/(payments)	15,040	- 2,457	-	12,583	8,270
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	61,559	2,457	-	64,016	55,746
Cash funds this year end	76,599	-	-	76,599	64,016

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cafbank	26,599		-
	Metro bank	50,000	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	76,599	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	J Winder	J Winder	16.8.24	
	R Norman	R Norman	16.8.24	

LOVE HAMBROOK MARSHES CIO

England & Wales - Charity number 1156473

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1.4.2021 To 31.3.2022

Charity name: LOVE HAMBROOK MARSHES CIO

Charity registration number: 1156473

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The Objects of Love Hambrook Marshes CIO are: "To protect, manage and preserve the Hambrook Marshes for the benefit of wildlife and for the public benefit." These are delivered through the following detailed aims: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. to ensure that the land remains open, undeveloped marshland;2. to ensure conservation of the area through application of effective land management;3. to protect existing vegetation and wildlife;4. to guarantee controlled public access to the area, including free access to the cycle path;5. to encourage participation of the local community.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The Trustees have continued to manage the land in conformity with Natural England requirements to protect and conserve it as wetland, protect wildlife, ensure continuity of grant income, and maintain public access.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees, in promoting the objects of the CIO, have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment	Para 1.38	N/A

including program related investment		
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	In promoting its objects the CIO has been assisted by the work of volunteers from the Kentish Stour Countryside Partnership for site maintenance, and by a team of over 20 volunteers helping with activities which include litter picking, site maintenance, inspection of stiles and fencing, and conducting a count of visitor numbers.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>This review provides a summary of what has been achieved during 2021-22 against each of the aims.</p> <p>AIM 1: Ensure that Hambrook Marshes remain open, undeveloped marshland</p> <p>(a) The continuing existence of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation ensures that, for the foreseeable future, this aim will be met.</p> <p>(b) Site insurance is in place for basic public liability, and for problems arising from contamination.</p> <p>(c) Trustees ensure that the site is managed as farm land in order to claim the annual Natural England Basic Payment Scheme to fund maintenance and infrastructure work on the site.</p> <p>(d) The CIO continues to receive funding from the Natural England Countryside Stewardship Higher Tier grant scheme on a year-by-year basis, and the site is managed to meet the requirements of the scheme to maintain the site as wet grassland. In view of the uncertainty about the future of this funding stream, £10k was allocated from reserves to cover any possible temporary shortfall.</p> <p>(e) A long-term partnership continues with the Kentish Stour Countryside Partnership to provide advice and manage groups of volunteers to work on the land.</p> <p>(f) A new Charity Management Plan was adopted in April 2021 with a view to ensuring that the CIO continues to function in accordance with best practice for charitable organisations.</p>

AIM 2 Ensure conservation of the site through effective land management

(a) A contract was agreed with a new grazier, who brought 28 cattle onto the site for the summer of 2021, for grazing as required by Natural England grant conditions in order to maintain the site as wet grassland.

(b) Maintenance work included the renewal and repair for stiles, fences and gates.

(c) A hay harvest was taken in summer 2021.

(d) Mowing of the riverside and cycle path margins was again undertaken.

(e) Clearance of litter continued two or three times a week.

(f) Site maintenance continues to be monitored in according with an annual Inspection Regime and a Calendar of Tasks.

AIM 3 Protect and encourage plant and wild life

(a) One of the trustees who has specialist knowledge of wildlife continues to perform the role of monitoring wildlife habitats and exploring opportunities for environmental improvement.

(b) Work parties organised by the Kentish Stour Countryside Partnership again removed scrub from the old railway embankment to maintain a mosaic of bushy and open habitats for birds, reptiles and insects.

(c) Orchids were found on site for the first time, with the appearance of southern marsh orchids and a pyramidal orchid in June 2021.

(d) Willow was again harvested by local basket weavers. As part of a programme to make more habitat available for wetland species such as reed buntings, a strip of older willow was coppiced in March 2022 and a large number of willow cuttings were planted to extend the osier bed.

(e) An amphibian survey was conducted in early spring 2022, and common and marsh frogs and common and palmate newts were found.

AIM 4 Guarantee the existing public access to the site

(a) The agreement with Kent County Council and Canterbury City Council for the operation and maintenance of the Great Stour Way as a permissive path for pedestrians and cyclists continued in place. New signs were installed in May 2021, with help from Sustrans, to encourage safe path-

		<p>sharing by cyclists and walkers.</p> <p>(b) Permissive public access across the site via footpaths was maintained.</p> <p>(c) Five new wooden riverside benches were installed, funded by a grant from the Kent County Council member in whose district the site is located.</p> <p>(d) A survey of visitor number was conducted on two days in July 2021. 1451 visitors were recorded over the two days. These included 30 e-scooter users, and issues arising from the use of e-scooters on the path are being kept under review.</p> <p>(e) The CIO was presented with a Green Flag Community Award in October 2021.</p> <p>(f) Low-level anti-social behaviour, such as graffiti, and vandalism in the form of damage to gates and fences and the burning of an area of hay, is an on-going concern. The site was included in a Public Space Protection Order issued by Canterbury City Council in September 2021.</p> <p>AIM 5 Encourage community involvement in the site</p> <p>(a) Monthly Newsletters containing updates on all site activities including wildlife reports, together with an Annual Report, were circulated electronically and published on the CIO web-site.</p> <p>(b) The good working relationship established with the KSCP volunteer group continued to give members of the public the opportunity to contribute towards the maintenance and development of the site.</p> <p>(c) A Volunteering Plan was adopted in April 2021 in order to standardise practice for making use of volunteer help.</p> <p>(d) Numbers of volunteers have increased, with a group of over 20 contributing to activities such as litter-picking, site maintenance, helping with the survey of visitor numbers, and inspecting stiles and fencing.</p> <p>(e) The activity of the willow weavers has included a successful willow weaving workshop in August 2021 for members of the public.</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	See previous section
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Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Fundraising is not one of the objectives of the CIO.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity has sufficient funds to continue for the foreseeable future which is important as it is dependent on grants and donation.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The charity tries to keep a reserve higher than its annual expenditure as the repairs and improvements that are needed periodically are considerable and the income is limited.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£55,746
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	As a CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustee vacancies are publicly advertised, and appointments are made by the existing trustees. Election to specific roles (e.g. Chair) is by the votes of the trustees.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Love Hambrook Marshes CIO
Other name the charity uses	LHM
Registered charity number	1156473
Charity's principal address	26 Orchard Street, Canterbury CT2 8AP

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Jon Winder	Chair		
2	Hilary Adams	Treasurer		
3	Margaret Love	Trustee		
4	Richard Norman	Secretary		
5	Sian Pettman	Trustee		
6	Paul Roberts	Land Manager		
7	Michael Walter	Trustee		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Jon Winder	Richard Norman
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Full name(s)	Jon Winder	Richard Norman
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Secretary
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Date	
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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
LOVE HAMBROOK MARSHES CIO

No (if any)
1156473

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 1-Apr-22	To	Period end date 31-Mar-23
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	474	-	-	474	11,519
Grants	6,231	2,457	-	8,688	6,683
Grazing	900	-	-	900	790
Interest	358	-	-	358	6
Fund raising	53	-	-	53	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	8,016	2,457	-	10,473	18,998
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	8,016	2,457	-	10,473	18,998
A3 Payments					
Maintenance	1,515	-	-	1,515	2,211
Insurance	-	-	-	-	388
Administration	118	-	-	118	102
Workshop	570	-	-	570	48
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,203	-	-	2,203	2,749
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	2,203	-	-	2,203	2,749
Net of receipts/(payments)	5,813	2,457	-	8,270	16,249
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	55,746	-	-	55,746	39,497
Cash funds this year end	61,559	2,457	-	64,016	55,746

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank account	61,559	2,457	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	61,559	2,457	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	J Winder	J Winder	21.4.23
	R Norman	R Norman	21.4.23

LOVE HAMBROOK MARSHES CIO

England & Wales - Charity number 1156473

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1.4.2021 To 31.3.2022

Charity name: LOVE HAMBROOK MARSHES CIO

Charity registration number: 1156473

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The Objects of Love Hambrook Marshes CIO are: "To protect, manage and preserve the Hambrook Marshes for the benefit of wildlife and for the public benefit." These are delivered through the following detailed aims: 1. to ensure that the land remains open, undeveloped marshland; 2. to ensure conservation of the area through application of effective land management; 3. to protect existing vegetation and wildlife; 4. to guarantee controlled public access to the area, including free access to the cycle path; 5. to encourage participation of the local community.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The Trustees have continued to manage the land in conformity with Natural England requirements to protect and conserve it as wetland, protect wildlife, ensure continuity of grant income, and maintain public access.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees, in promoting the objects of the CIO, have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
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Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>This review provides a summary of what has been achieved during 2021-22 against each of the aims.</p> <p>AIM 1: Ensure that Hambrook Marshes remain open, undeveloped marshland</p> <p>(a) The continuing existence of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation ensures that, for the foreseeable future, this aim will be met.</p> <p>(b) Site insurance is in place for basic public liability, and for problems arising from contamination.</p> <p>(c) Trustees ensure that the site is managed as farm land in order to claim the annual Natural England Basic Payment Scheme to fund maintenance and infrastructure work on the site.</p> <p>(d) The CIO continues to receive funding from the Natural England Countryside Stewardship Higher Tier grant scheme on a year-by-year basis, and the site is managed to meet the requirements of the scheme to maintain the site as wet grassland. In view of the uncertainty about the future of this funding stream, £10k was allocated from reserves to cover any possible temporary shortfall.</p> <p>(e) A long-term partnership continues with the Kentish Stour Countryside Partnership to provide advice and manage groups of volunteers to work on the land.</p> <p>(f) A new Charity Management Plan was adopted in April 2021 with a view to ensuring that the CIO continues to function in accordance with best practice for charitable organisations.</p>

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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	See previous section
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Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Fundraising is not one of the objectives of the CIO.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity has sufficient funds to continue for the foreseeable future which is important as it is dependent on grants and donation.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The charity tries to keep a reserve higher than its annual expenditure as the repairs and improvements that are needed periodically are considerable and the income is limited.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£55,746
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	As a CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustee vacancies are publicly advertised, and appointments are made by the existing trustees. Election to specific roles (e.g. Chair) is by the votes of the trustees.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Love Hambrook Marshes CIO
Other name the charity uses	LHM
Registered charity number	1156473
Charity's principal address	26 Orchard Street, Canterbury CT2 8AP

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Jon Winder	Chair		
2	Hilary Adams	Treasurer		
3	Margaret Love	Trustee		
4	Richard Norman	Secretary		
5	Sian Pettman	Trustee		
6	Paul Roberts	Land Manager		
7	Michael Walter	Trustee		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Jon Winder	Richard Norman
Full name(s)	Jon Winder	Richard Norman
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Secretary
Date	15.7.22	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
LOVE HAMBROOK MARSHES CIO

No (if any)
1156473

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01-Apr-21	To	Period end date 31-Mar-22
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	11,519	-	-	11,519	17,571
Grants	6,683	-	-	6,683	6,834
Grazing	790	-	-	790	525
Interest	6	-	-	6	11
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	18,998	-	-	18,998	24,941
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	18,998	-	-	18,998	24,941
A3 Payments					
Maintenance	2,211	-	-	2,211	11,824
Insurance	388	-	-	388	388
Administration	102	-	-	102	127
Workshop	48	-	-	48	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,749	-	-	2,749	12,339
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	2,749	-	-	2,749	12,339
Net of receipts/(payments)	16,249	-	-	16,249	12,602
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	39,497	-	-	39,497	26,895
Cash funds this year end	55,746	-	-	55,746	39,497

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		55,746	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	55,746	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	J Winder	J Winder	15.7.22	
	R Norman	R Norman	15.7.22	

LOVE HAMBROOK MARSHES CIO

England & Wales - Charity number 1156473

Accounts



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

From: 1.4.2020 To: 31.3.2021

Charity name: LOVE HAMBROOK MARSHES CIO

Charity registration number: 1156473

Company number:

Objectives and activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The Objects of Love Hambrook Marshes CIO are: "To protect, manage and preserve the Hambrook Marshes for the benefit of wildlife and for the public benefit." These are delivered through the following detailed aims: 1. to ensure that the land remains open, undeveloped marshland; 2. to ensure conservation of the area through application of effective land management; 3. to protect existing vegetation and wildlife; 4. to guarantee controlled public access to the area, including free access to the cycle path; 5. to encourage participation of the local community.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The Trustees, having regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission and the objects of the CIO, have managed and developed the land in conformity with Natural England requirements to protect and conserve it as wetland, protect wildlife, ensure continuity of grant income, and maintain public access.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Yes.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers from the Kentish Stour Countryside Partnership have continued to provide help with site maintenance. We have also recruited more volunteers to help with social media, and with clearance of litter.
Other		

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>This review provides a summary of what has been achieved during 2020-21 against each of the aims.</p> <p>AIM 1: Ensure that Hambrook Marshes remain open, undeveloped marshland</p> <p>(a) The continuing existence of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation ensures that, for the foreseeable future, this aim will be met.</p> <p>(b) Site insurance is in place for basic public liability, and for problems arising from contamination.</p> <p>(c) Trustees ensure that the site is managed as farm land in order to claim the annual Natural England Basic Payment Scheme to fund maintenance and infrastructure work on the site.</p> <p>(d) A 5-year Natural England Countryside Stewardship Higher Tier grant scheme which terminated on 31 December 2020 was renewed for a year, and the site was managed to meet the requirements of the scheme to maintain the site as wet grassland, but the future of this funding stream remains uncertain.</p> <p>(e) A long-term partnership continues with the Kentish Stour Countryside Partnership to provide advice and manage groups of volunteers to work on the land.</p> <p>AIM 2 Ensure conservation of the site through effective land management</p> <p>(a) A small herd of cattle were again on the site between April and October for grazing as required by Natural England grant conditions in order to maintain the site as wet grassland.</p> <p>(b) Maintenance work included the renewal of sections of fencing.</p> <p>(c) No hay harvest was taken in 2020 but arrangements were made for mowing the hay meadow in 2021.</p> <p>(d) Mowing of the riverside and cycle path margins was</p>
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again undertaken, including the cutting back of nettles along the riverbank to give visitors a better view of the river in the summer months.

(e) A large poplar tree was blown down in a summer storm and contractors were brought in to clear the timber, at the same time cutting back a neighbouring tree for safety reasons. Most of the timber was left in situ to encourage wildlife.

(f) Clearance of litter continued two or three times a week.

AIM 3 Protect and encourage plant and wild life

(a) One of the trustees who has specialist knowledge of wildlife continued to perform the role of monitoring wildlife habitats and exploring opportunities for environmental improvement.

(b) Work parties organised by the Kentish Stour Countryside Partnership again removed scrub from the old railway embankment to maintain a mosaic of bushy and open habitats for birds, reptiles and insects.

(c) The snake's head fritillaries planted in October 2019 flowered again in March 2021.

(d) The 18 trees planted near the river path in February 2020 were regularly watered throughout the hot summer weather and all have survived.

(e) Willow was harvested by local basket weavers.

(f) Fauna observed on site included a green sandpiper, a crossbill, collared doves, stonechats, a large flock of fieldfares, and a record count of marbled white butterflies. There were two brief sightings of otters in December 2020 and otter footprints were also found.

AIM 4 Guarantee the existing public access to the site

(a) The agreement with Kent County Council and Canterbury City Council for the operation and maintenance of the Great Stour Way as a permissive path for pedestrians and cyclists continued in place, and there were further discussions with CCC officers to clarify maintenance responsibilities and the provision and clearance of litter bins.

(b) Permissive public access across the site via footpaths was maintained.

(c) The popular sculpted picnic table by the riverside path was repaired by the artist who had originally created it. The structure was strengthened and new sculpted features were added. The table continues to be frequently used by members of the public.

(d) The two arson attacks in March 2020, on the boardwalk and the pond-dipping platform, were followed by a third arson attack in February 2021 which destroyed the remainder of the boardwalk. The debris was cleared, the opportunity was taken to create a new pond, and although nothing remains of the boardwalk, public access to that field and the ponds continues to be possible by means of existing footpaths. Access to some sections of the footpaths tends to be difficult during the winter because of flooding, an inevitable consequence of the nature of the site as water meadows. Further consideration will be given to whether any improvement of

the paths is desirable or feasible.

(e) Use of the site and the cycle path and footpaths for outdoor recreation increased hugely during the Covid-19 pandemic and lockdown. It has been immensely popular for walking, running and cycling, and has provided great benefits to the local community. The greatly increased use brought with it inevitable challenges, in particular the increased amount of litter, and additional arrangements were put in place to deal with this.

AIM 5 Encourage community involvement in the site

(a) Monthly Newsletters containing updates on all site activities including wildlife reports, together with an Annual Report, were circulated electronically and published on the CIO web-site by one of the trustees.

(b) The good working relationship established with the KSCP volunteer group continued to give members of the public the opportunity to contribute towards the maintenance and development of the site.

(c) A new volunteer was recruited in July 2020 to act as Website administrator. The website has been redesigned, the use of Facebook has been revitalised, and a second volunteer is also helping with social media. A quarterly photographic competition was been set up, which has attracted considerable interest from members of the public, and the best photograph of the Marshes, as judged by the trustees, is displayed on the front page of the website. The website is at www.lhmcio.org and includes pages on news, current developments, birds seen, plants seen, volunteer work etc. The Facebook group is at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/LoveHambrookMarshes> and is well used.

(d) In response to the two arson attacks in March 2020, a fund-raising concert was organised in April 2020 by local people. Because of the Covid-19 restrictions in place, the concert was on-line. 22 local musicians, singers, photographers and poets contributed, and attracted a large audience which was a demonstration of how much the site is appreciated and the benefit it provides to the local community.

(e) In October a guided walk was organised for members of the public and was attended by 15 people, who were taken on a tour of the Marshes and told about the history and wildlife of the site.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	See previous section.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Fundraising is not one of the objectives of the CIO, but see the reference above to the fundraising concert in April 2020.

Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		N/A

Financial review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity has sufficient funds to continue for the foreseeable future which is important as it is dependent on grants and donation.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The charity tries to keep a reserve higher than its annual expenditure as the repairs and improvements that are needed periodically are considerable and the income is limited.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£39,497
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	

Other		
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Structure, governance and management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document:	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	As a CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustee vacancies are publicly advertised, and appointments are made by the existing trustees. Election to specific roles (e.g. Chair) is by the votes of the trustees.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	One new trustee appointment, to the role of Land Manager, was made during this period. Induction was conducted primarily by his predecessor.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and administrative details

Charity name	Love Hambrook Marshes CIO
Other name the charity uses	LHM
Registered charity number	1156473
Charity's principal address	26 Orchard Street, Canterbury CT2 8AP

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Jon Winder	Chair		
2	Hilary Adams	Treasurer		
3	Margaret Love	Trustee		
4	Richard Norman	Secretary		
5	Sian Pettman	Trustee		
6	Michael Walter	Trustee		
7	Jack Goodhew	Land Manager	To 3.9.2020	
8	Paul Roberts	Land Manager	From 3.9.2020	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name	
N/A	

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year
N/A	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (optional information)

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

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

Other optional information

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Declarations

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

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees/directors

Signature(s)	<i>J Winder</i>	<i>Richard Norman</i>
Full name(s)	Jon Winder	Richard Norman
Position (for example Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	<i>Secretary</i>
Date	6.7.21	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name LOVE HAMBROOK MARSHES CIO	No (if any) 1156473
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01-Apr-20	To	Period end date 31-Mar-21
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	17,571	-	-	17,571	13,855
Grants	6,834	-	-	6,834	6,445
Grazing	525	-	-	525	525
Interest	11	-	-	11	15
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	24,941	-	-	24,941	20,840
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	24,941	-	-	24,941	20,840
A3 Payments					
Maintenance	11,824	-	-	11,824	2,747
Insurance	388	-	-	388	364
Administration	127	-	-	127	60
Legal fees	-	-	-	-	469
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	12,339	-	-	12,339	3,640
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	12,339	-	-	12,339	3,640
Net of receipts/(payments)	12,602	-	-	12,602	17,200
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	26,895	-	-	26,895	9,695
Cash funds this year end	39,497	-	-	39,497	26,895

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		J Winder	6.7.21	
		R Norman	6.7.21	