

Cuckmere Haven SOS

Charity's principal address: The Sanctuary, Winton Street, Alfriston, East Sussex, BN26 5UL

Charity Commission Registration Number 1161529

Trustees' Annual Report For the year ended 31 December 2021

Names of the charity trustees who managed the charity:

Trustee name	Office
Professor Michael Davies	Chair, Appointed 9 March 2021
Charles Anson CVO DL MA(Cantab)	Retired 31 May 2021
Daniel de Belder	Appointed 11 November 2021
Rodney Castleden MA MSC (Oxon)	
The Reverend Adam Ford BD MA	Retired 31 May 2021
Crispin Freeman FCA	
Sir Alan Moses	
Charles Peck	

Structure, governance and management

The Charity's governing document is its constitution adopted 5 May 2015, and it is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation. New trustees may be appointed to serve for a term of two years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. Each of the trustees shall retire at the end of their term of appointment but shall be eligible for re-appointment.

The trustees review the skills and competencies required for the board of trustees, and where a requirement is identified they initiate a recruitment process. New trustees receive training from the existing trustees. There is no formal training programme.

The charity holds its bank account with Barclays Bank Plc, and has a donation facility with CAF Donate.

Regular trustee meetings are held, and the trustees met eleven times during the year.

Objectives and activities

To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment of the Cuckmere Haven west beach and cliffs.

When planning and carrying out their activities, the charity trustees have complied with the duty in section 4 of the 2011 Charities Act, to have due regard to Public Benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Further research and design work has been conducted on a scheme to protect the Cuckmere Haven west beach and cliffs, and discussions continued with the relevant authorities, culminating with planning application being granted for the proposed project, but this was subsequently quashed on judicial review. The trustees are now in discussion with the relevant parties with a view to submitting a fresh planning application.

The regulations to control the covid 19 pandemic, coupled with the loss of the planning permission, meant that it was not appropriate for the charity to undertake any fundraising events this year, and consequently the trustees released the £5,000 designated for holding a Lapwing festival back to unrestricted reserves. The charity's website continued to attract donations from the public.

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Achievements and performance

The website has been maintained which has details of the history of the Cuckmere Haven area, the erosion problems, and an outline of the proposals for the protection of the west beach and cliffs. It includes a donation facility through CAF Donate. Donations during the year were £18,617, which included a marvellous donation £10,676 from a festival put on by enthusiastic local supporters called "Celebrate Cuckmere Haven". In addition the charity received gift aid tax recovered of £1,011 and other income of £6.

The charity spent £13,134 on professional advice connected with the plans for the protection scheme for the Cuckmere Haven west beach and cliffs, and £7,498 on fundraising and publicity. Once the planning permission was quashed we paused the professional fundraiser's engagement while the way forward is developed. In accordance with section 189 of the Charities Act 2011 the charity purchased trustee indemnity insurance £577.

No trustee received any remuneration.

Financial review

It is the reserves policy of the charity that funds will be built up to finance the protection scheme for the Cuckmere Haven west beach and cliffs. This is a large project and it is anticipated it will take time to achieve the necessary funding. At 31 December 2021 the charity held £53,021 in reserve for this purpose.

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature Professor Michael Davies

Date **3 February 2022**

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Receipts & Payments Accounts
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Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	YE 31 Dec 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Donations - non-gift aid	13,860	0	0	13,860	433
Donations - gift-aided	4,757	0	0	4,757	4,540
Gift aid tax recovery	1,011	0	0	1,011	1,112
Event receipts	0	0	0	0	0
Grants	0	0	0	0	0
Other receipts	6	0	0	6	0
Total Receipts	19,634		0	19,634	6,085
Payments					
Conservation	13,134	0	0	13,134	23,047
Fundraising	4,598	0	0	4,598	0
Publicity	2,900	0	0	2,900	0
Website	144	0	0	144	1,368
Postage, stationery, computer	0	0	0	0	16
Donation platform commission	258	0	0	258	0
Insurance	577	0	0	577	0
Bank charges	139	0	0	139	63
Total Payments	21,750	0	0	21,750	24,494
Net of receipts/(payments)	(2,116)	0	0	(2,116)	(18,409)
Transfers between funds	5,000	(5,000)	0	0	0
Cash funds last year end	50,137	5,000	0	55,137	73,546
Cash funds this period end	53,021	0	0	53,021	55,137

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

		Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds
		£	£	£
Cash funds	Bank account	53,021	0	0

Signed on behalf of all the trustees on 3 February 2022

Professor Michael Davies

C P Freeman FCA

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1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Cuckmere Haven SOS is a charitable incorporated organisation set up to meet the charitable objectives detailed in the Trustees' Report.

1.1 Accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.