

FARMCORNWALL

England & Wales · Charity number 1162845

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2015-07-27

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE, FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC:- (1) TO PREVENT AND RELIEVE POVERTY OR FINANCIAL HARDSHIP, AND TO RELIEVE SICKNESS AND PRESERVE HEALTH, AMONGST FARMERS, THEIR FAMILIES AND WORKERS PRIMARILY THROUGH THE PROVISION OF ADVICE AND SUPPORT; AND (2) TO RELIEVE AND PREVENT THE SUFFERING OF ANIMALS, PARTICULARLY, BUT WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE GENERALITY OF THE FOREGOING, WITHIN CORNWALL.

Activities: The charity provides advice and support to farming families through the services of a Farm and Rural Outreach Worker(1) to prevent and relieve poverty or financial hardship, and to relieve sickness and preserve health, amongst farmers, their families and workers primarily through the provision of advice and support; and(2) to relieve and prevent the suffering of animals,

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Animals, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** PARTICULARLY WITHIN CORNWALL
- Cornwall

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-07-31	£154,929	£152,143	-	-
2024-07-31	£147,878	£83,982	-	-
2023-07-31	£118,254	£111,316	-	-
2022-07-31	£101,798	£96,121	-	-
2021-07-31	£109,050	£66,281	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
RICHARD THOMAS	Chair	2015-07-27
CHRISTOPHER ROBERT KNOWLES		2015-07-27
Clare Elizabeth Green		2026-02-19
JENNIFER ANNE OLDS		2015-07-27
James Richard Trelawney Kittow		2026-02-19
STEPHEN COLIN BONE		2015-07-27
Wendy Joan Nicholas		2023-12-05

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1	August	2024		31	July	2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

FARMCORNWALL

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1162845

Charity's principal address

BARN B, HENDRA
 TREMETHICK CROSS
 PENZANCE, CORNWALL
Postcode TR20 8UD

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	Stephen Colin Bone	Trustee		
2	Jennifer Anne Olds	Trustee		
3	Christopher Robert Knowles	Trustee		
4	Richard Thomas	Trustee		
5	Wendy Joan Nicholas	Trustee		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution (Foundation Model) adopted 27/7/15 and modified 28/1/2025
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by resolution at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The charity works with other local & national farming support charities. • A local forum has been established. Stakeholders in the local farming community are invited to attend forum meetings and discuss issues and provide guidance or raise concerns. • All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or benefits. • The major risks identified are; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial – failure to secure sufficient funding to deliver the charitable objectives. A management accounting process is in place to monitor performance against budget and provide cashflow forecasts. It is the aim of the Trustees to build a financial reserve equivalent to 1 year's operating costs to ensure long term security. Failure to meet charitable objectives – inadequate or negligent advice could severely affect those who seek the charity's help. A BIAC accredited Farm Advisor & Rural Outreach Worker has been employed on a permanent basis. Several staff members are trained in Suicide Intervention. The specialised services of other farming help and mental health charities are engaged as appropriate.

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objects of the CIO are, for the benefit of the public:-
 (1) to prevent and relieve poverty or financial hardship, and to relieve sickness and preserve health, amongst farmers, their families and workers primarily through the provision of advice and support; and
 (2) to relieve and prevent the suffering of animals, particularly, but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, within Cornwall.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

During the year the FarmCornwall Forum met regularly throughout the year and trustees, farmers, advisors and other stakeholders were invited to attend. Particular issues of concern were discussed and where applicable confidential discussions have taken place to offer expert advice to the Farm Advisor and Rural Outreach Worker to assist him in supporting farmers experiencing financial hardship and/or physical and mental health problems.

The charity offered support to farming families throughout Cornwall to find solutions to longstanding issues and move from a point of crisis to a clear way forward, whether that be a business restructure, family succession or a dignified exit from farming.

The charity encourages farmer run initiatives and has successfully set up two groups; 'Cornish Ladies in Wellies' and 'Next Generation' which enable farmers and family members to meet like minded people in the community to support each other and share ideas.

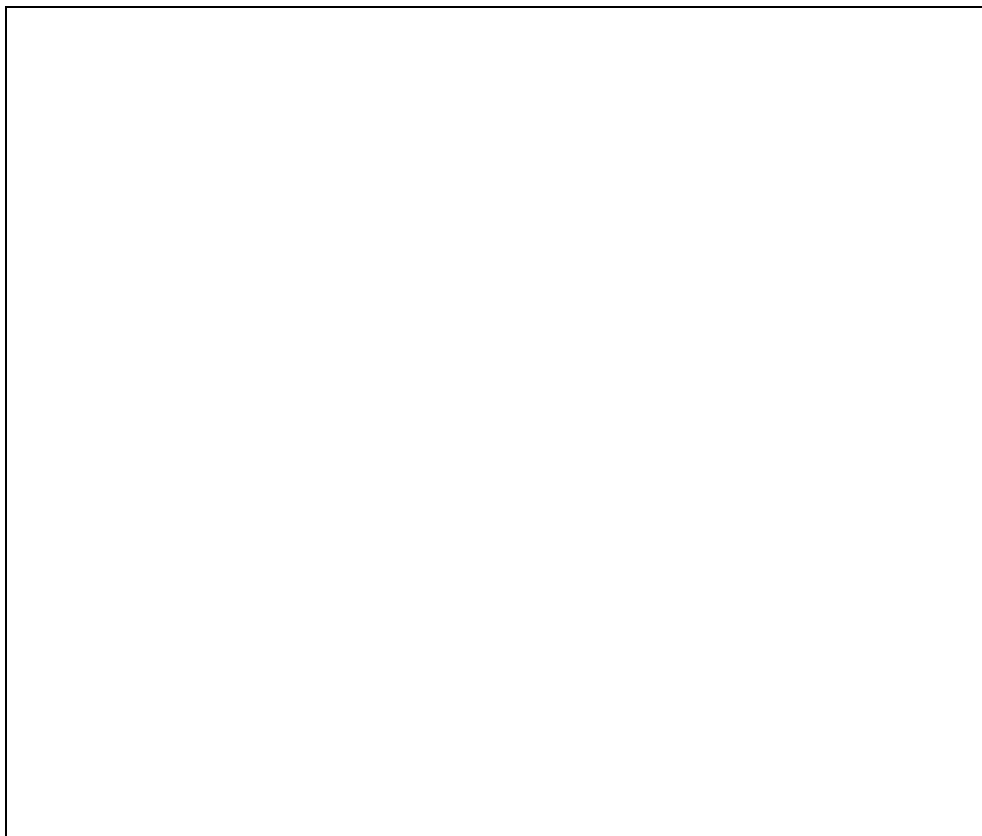
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The Trustees had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit during meetings and in formulating the plans for future operations.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grant making;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.



Section D

Achievements and performance

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

115 individual farming families were supported during the year - 314 visits carried out.

Reason for visit;

Farm Business advice	27%
Mental Health	16%
Debt	13%
Grant Advice	11%
Environmental	
Stewardship	9%
Family issues	9%
Crisis/Hardship	5%
Succession	3%
Housing	3%
Physical Health	8%
Safeguarding	2%
Tenancy issues	3%
Animal Welfare	2%

In addition;

95 farms participated in the Farm For the Future Programme delivered by FarmCornwall on behalf of Royal Countryside Fund.

86 partnership events were organised by the Charity

4 editions of the FarmCornwall newsletter were produced and mailed to individuals & farm businesses.

During the year the Trustees commissioned a strategic review to make recommendations that would ensure the charity is fit for purpose going forward.

Trustees accepted a wide number of key recommendations that included

- an amended constitution
- Increase in number and skills range of trustees
- Recruitment of a charity manager to focus on funding, data management, marketing and engagement with stakeholders
- Development of a new, engaging website.

Significant progress was made on these recommendations during the year.

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Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity's policy is to raise sufficient funds that a reserve can be established to maintain a consistent level of activity during times of reduced grant funding. The charity is working towards building a reserve sufficient to cover one year's expenditure.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The main source of funds has been from charitable trusts, donations from local estates and grants from the Royal Countryside Fund.

Section F

Other optional information


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Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Richard Thomas	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	

Date 19/2/26



FarmCornwall		1162845		CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	01/08/24	To	31/07/25	

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations and Grants	146,220	2,500		148,720	142,274
Consultancy	4,630			4,630	8,000
Travel Charges				-	-
Other Income	120			120	-
Interest Received	1,459			1,459	826
				-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	152,429	2,500	-	154,929	151,100
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Loan Repayment		-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	152,429	2,500	-	154,929	151,100
A3 Payments					
Assistance/Farmer Payments	1,000	111		1,111	-
Bank Charges	-			-	3
Computer & IT Costs	1,336			1,336	757
Events & Workshops	5,521			5,521	4,538
Insurance	3,439			3,439	3,410
Marketing	9,054			9,054	1,044
Meeting Costs				-	38
Office Expenses	1,072			1,072	473
Payroll & Pension Costs	90,652	10,208		100,861	73,374
Premises	4,912			4,912	3,262
Accounting & Administration Services	9,963	2,500		12,463	9,098
Staff Costs & Training	257			257	132
Subscriptions	1,714			1,714	846
Phone	1,985			1,985	1,833
Travel	7,339			7,339	6,814
Sub total	138,244	12,819	-	151,064	105,620
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Fixed Assets	1,079			1,079	4,760
Sub total	1,079	-	-	1,079	4,760
Total payments	139,323	12,819	-	152,143	110,381
Net of receipts/(payments)	13,105	- 10,319	-	2,786	40,719
A5 Transfers between funds				-	
A6 Cash funds last year end	110,186	19,355		129,541	88,822
Cash funds this year end	123,291	9,036	-	132,327	129,541

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

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
Categories	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank Current Account	9,533		-
	Bank Savings Account	113,515	9,036	
	Petty Cash	243	-	-
	Total cash funds	123,291	9,036	-

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

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		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Debtors	1,637	-	-
	Prepayments	2,732	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-
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Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			
			-
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Richard Thomas	19/02/26



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name

FARM CORNWALL

On accounts for the year ended

31/07/2025

Charity no (if any)

1162845

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/07/2025

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

19/12/2025

Name:

Deborah Evans

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

Address:

Section B

Disclosure

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

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

Nothing to disclose

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England & Wales - Charity number 1162845

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date			Period end date			
From	1	August	2023	To	31	July	2024

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Charity's principal address

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4	Archelaus Jeffrey Thomas	Trustee	1/8/23 – 5/12/23	
5	Richard Thomas	Trustee		FarmCornwall CIC
6	Wendy Joan Nicholas	Trustee	5/12/23 – 31/7/24	
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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Type of adviser	Name	Address

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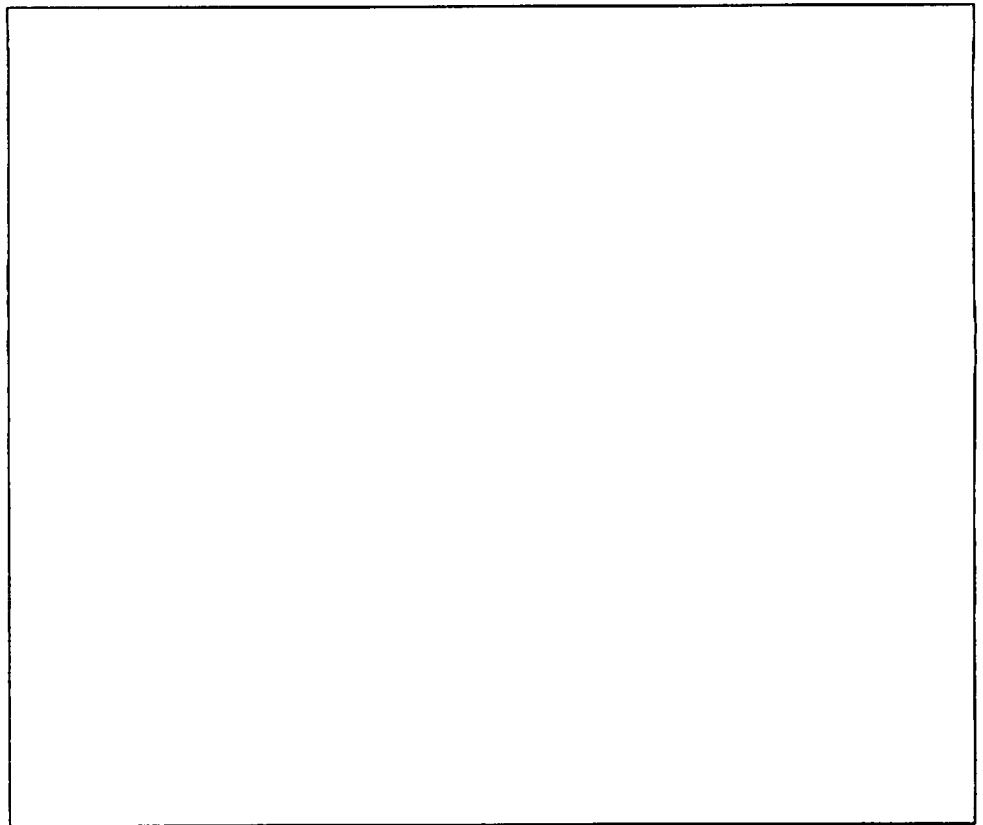
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Section D

Achievements and performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

108 individual farming families were supported during the year - 283 visits carried out.

Reason for visit;

Farm Business advice	34%
Mental Health	17%
Debt	13%
Grant Advice	10%
Environmental Stewardship	8%
Family issues	6%
Crisis/Hardship	4%
Succession	4%
Housing	2%
Physical Health	2%

In addition;

260 farms participated in the Farm For the Future Programme delivered by FarmCornwall on behalf of Royal Countryside Fund. Of these, 148 requested 1:1 follow up visits.

4 editions of the FarmCornwall newsletter were produced and mailed to 390 individuals & farm businesses. 187 were downloaded from the website.

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Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity's policy is to raise sufficient funds that a reserve can be established to maintain a consistent level of activity during times of reduced grant funding. The charity is working towards building a reserve sufficient to cover one year's expenditure.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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The main source of funds has been from charitable trusts, donations from local estates and a grant from the Royal Countryside Fund.

Section F

Other optional information


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Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Richard Thomas	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	

Date



FarmCornwall	1162845
Receipts and payments accounts	
For the period from	01/08/23 To 31/07/24

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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 and Grants	139,052	3,222		142,274	105,760
Consultancy	8,000			8,000	11,705
Travel Charges	-			-	537
Other Income				-	-
Interest Received	826			826	252
				-	-
				-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	147,878	3,222	-	151,100	118,254
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Loan Repayment		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
Sub total		-	-	-	-
Total receipts	147,878	3,222	-	151,100	118,254
A3 Payments					
Bank Charges	3			3	-
Computer & IT Costs	757			757	1,565
Events & Workshops	3,834	704		4,538	3,014
Insurance	3,410			3,410	12,265
Marketing	1,044			1,044	1,459
Meeting Costs	38			38	700
Office Expenses	473			473	1,295
Payroll & Pension Costs	50,679	22,695		73,374	66,610
Premises	3,262			3,262	3,016
Accounting & Administration Services	9,098			9,098	11,797
Staff Costs & Training	132			132	220
Subscriptions	846			846	646
Phone	1,833			1,833	1,589
Travel	6,814			6,814	7,140
				-	-
Sub total	82,222	23,399	-	105,620	111,316
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
				-	-
Fixed Assets	1,760	3,000		4,760	-
Sub total	1,760	3,000	-	4,760	-
Total payments	83,982	26,399	-	110,381	111,316
Net of receipts/(payments)	63,896	- 23,177	-	40,719	6,938
A5 Transfers between funds				-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	46,290	42,532		88,822	81,883
Cash funds this year end	110,186	19,355	-	129,541	88,822

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 Current Account	28,364		-
	Bank Savings Account	81,736	19,355	
	Petty Cash	86	-	-
	Total cash funds	110,186	19,355	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				

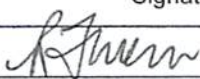
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Debtors	60	-	-
	Prepayments	2,732	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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	Furniture	Unrestricted	236	-
	Computer Equipment	Unrestricted	6,137	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Creditors	Unrestricted	200	
	Pension Liabilities	Unrestricted	227	
	TUPE Provision	Restricted	4,401	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	RICHARD THOMAS	31/3/2025



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name
FarmCornwall

On accounts for the year ended

31/07/24

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

Signed: DJ Evans

Date: 24/03/2025

Name: Deborah Julie Evans

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

MIAgSA

Address:

Barn House, Mill Road, Penponds, Camborne TR14 0QH

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

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Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

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Charity's principal address

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Postcode	TR20 8UD

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	Stephen Colin Bone	Trustee		
2	Jennifer Anne Olds	Trustee		
3	Christopher Robert Knowles	Trustee		FarmCornwall CIC
4	Archelaus Jeffrey Thomas	Trustee		
5	Richard Thomas	Trustee		FarmCornwall CIC
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution (Foundation Model) adopted 27/7/15
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by resolution at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The charity works with other local & national farming help charities. Two of the charity trustees are also directors of FarmCornwall CIC • A local forum has been established. Stakeholders in the local farming community are invited to attend forum meetings and discuss issues and provide guidance or raise concerns. • All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or benefits. • The major risks identified are; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial – failure to secure sufficient funding to deliver the charitable objectives. A management accounting process is in place to monitor performance against budget and provide cashflow forecasts. It is the aim of the Trustees to build a financial reserve equivalent to 1 year's operating costs to ensure long term security. Failure to meet charitable objectives – inadequate or negligent advice could severely affect those who seek the charity's help. A BIAC accredited Farm Advisor & Rural Outreach Worker has been employed on a permanent basis. Several staff members are trained in Suicide Intervention. The specialised services of other farming help and mental health charities are engaged as appropriate.

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objects of the CIO are, for the benefit of the public:-
 (1) to prevent and relieve poverty or financial hardship, and to relieve sickness and preserve health, amongst farmers, their families and workers primarily through the provision of advice and support; and
 (2) to relieve and prevent the suffering of animals, particularly, but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, within Cornwall.

During the year the FarmCornwall Forum met regularly throughout the year and trustees, farmers, advisors and other stakeholders were invited to attend. Particular issues of concern were discussed and where applicable confidential discussions have taken place to offer expert advice to the Farm Advisor and Rural Outreach Worker to assist him in supporting farmers experiencing financial hardship and/or physical and mental health problems.

The charity offered support to farming families throughout Cornwall to find solutions to longstanding issues and move from a point of crisis to a clear way forward, whether that be a business restructure, family succession or a dignified exit from farming.

There has been a marked reduction in animal welfare cases however TB in cattle continues to be challenging with wider business implications for dairy and beef farmers.

The charity encourages farmer run initiatives and has successfully set up two groups; 'Cornish Ladies in Wellies' and 'Next Generation' which enable farmers and family members to meet like minded people in the community to support each other and share ideas.

The charity also worked alongside other organisations such as Farm Community Network FCN, Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution RABI, Addington Fund and Farm Fit (a local charity offering mental health support) to offer wraparound support. The Farm Advisor also advocated on behalf of the local farming community in meetings and consultations with local and national organisations.

The Trustees had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit during meetings and in formulating the plans for future operations.

In conjunction with the Royal Countryside Fund, Farm Cornwall has provided training and 1:1 support to 200 farmers to enable them to navigate the shift from the EU based area payments to UK Government environmental payments. With the wide geographical area covered by the charity, this process has placed a great demand on its resources. However, it is obvious that from this process that there was a wide lack of understanding amongst the farming community which has caused immense stress. It is hoped with better understanding and support the changes can be the catalyst for farmers to review their businesses and implement environmental changes and as a consequence enable a better quality of family life. The positive effects of this has also spread the work of Farm Cornwall to a wider audience across the county, enabling us to help more farmers who otherwise would not have heard of us.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grant making;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

FarmCornwall has provided training to 200 farmers as farmers shift from the EU based area payments to UK Government environmental payments.

The process has involved an initial loss of income as the shift took place and Basic Payments Scheme payments are withdrawn. This process has stretched Farm Cornwall to explain these changes to a wide geographical area of the county, than our base in West Cornwall.

However, it is obvious that from this process that the changes have caused immense stress and lack of understanding amongst the farming community.

The changes can be used to get the farmer to “slow down”, implement more environmental change and as a consequence have a better family life.

The positive effects have also been to spread the work of Farm Cornwall to the wider audience across the county, enabling us to help more farmers who otherwise would not have heard of us.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

1. Two suicides prevented by our intervention with follow up support and joint working with other organisations.
2. Our understanding of government funding schemes and our relationship with the Rural Payments Agency (RPA) has enabled us to advocate on behalf of farmers to resolve longstanding queries and unlock much needed funds which reduces stress for the farmer and enables RPA to deal with issues more quickly.
3. Our involvement with Young Farmers clubs in Cornwall, alongside the police, Papyrus Trust, Farm Fit and Cornwall Trading Standards. To explain to all the 20 clubs across the county of the need to talk and the dangers of drugs and alcohol.
4. Training over 200 farmers and informing them of the changes to government funding schemes and the potential funding available offered by the new environmental schemes.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity's policy is to raise sufficient funds that a reserve can be established to maintain a consistent level of activity during times of reduced grant funding. The charity is working towards building a reserve sufficient to cover one year's expenditure.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The main source of funds has been from charitable trusts, donations from local estates and a grant from the Princes' Countryside Fund, (now known as Royal Countryside Fund).

Section F

Other optional information


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Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Richard Thomas	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	

Date 28th May 2024



FarmCornwall	1162845
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/08/2022	To	31/07/2023
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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 and Grants	80,760	25,000		105,760	31,066
Consultancy	11,705			11,705	68,405
Travel Charges	537			537	2,318
Other Income				-	-
Interest Received	252			252	9
				-	-
				-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	93,254	25,000	-	118,254	101,798
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Loan Repayment		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	93,254	25,000	-	118,254	101,798
A3 Payments					
Computer & IT Costs	1,565			1,565	1,565
Events & Workshops	3,014			3,014	1,346
Insurance	12,265			12,265	11,244
Marketing	1,459			1,459	2,050
Meeting Costs	700			700	131
Office Expenses	1,295			1,295	1,192
Payroll & Pension Costs	49,825	16,785		66,610	55,210
Postage				-	44
Premises	3,016			3,016	4,739
Accounting & Administration Services	11,797			11,797	10,300
Staff Costs & Training	220			220	417
Subscriptions	646			646	376
Phone	1,589			1,589	1,710
Travel	7,140			7,140	5,794
Sub total	94,531	16,785	-	111,316	96,121
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Fixed Assets				-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	94,531	16,785	-	111,316	96,121
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,276	8,215	-	6,938	5,677
A5 Transfers between funds				-	
A6 Cash funds last year end	47,566	34,317		81,883	76,206
Cash funds this year end	46,290	42,532	-	88,822	81,883

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 Current Account	28,281		-
	Bank Savings Account	17,733	42,532	-
	Petty Cash	276	-	-
	Total cash funds	46,290	42,532	-
	(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	Debtors	12,370	-	-
	PAYE	1,961	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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	Furniture	Unrestricted	236	-
	Computer Equipment	Unrestricted	1,376	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Creditors	Unrestricted	2,708	
	Pension Liabilities	Unrestricted	273	
	TUPE Provision	Restricted	4,401	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Richard Thomas	29/05/2024



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

FarmCornwall

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/07/23

**Charity no
(if any)**

1162845

Set out on pages

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

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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

Signed:

Date:

19/05/2024

Name:

Deborah Julie Evans

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

MIAGSA

Address:

Barn House, Mill Road, Penponds, Camborne TR14 0QH

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

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

Nothing to disclose

FARMCORNWALL

England & Wales - Charity number 1162845

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
From	1	August	2021	To	31	July	2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

BARN B, HENDRA	
TREMETHICK CROSS	
PENZANCE, CORNWALL	
Postcode	TR20 8UD

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)
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Accountant	Michelle Hook	Steren Ltd. 35 Treeve Lane, Connor Downs, Hayle, TR27 5DQ
Company Secretary	Deborah Evans	Barn House, Mill Road, Penponds, Camborne TR14 0QH

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

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Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
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- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objects of the CIO are, for the benefit of the public:-
(1) to prevent and relieve poverty or financial hardship, and to relieve sickness and preserve health, amongst farmers, their families and workers primarily through the provision of advice and support; and
(2) to relieve and prevent the suffering of animals, particularly, but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, within Cornwall.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

During the year the FarmCornwall Forum met regularly throughout the year and farmers, advisors and other stakeholders were invited to attend. Particular issues of concern were discussed and where applicable confidential discussions have taken place to offer expert advice to the Farm Advisor and Rural Outreach Worker (FROW) to assist him in supporting farmers experiencing financial hardship and/or health problems.

The charity offered support to farming families throughout Cornwall to find solutions to longstanding issues and move from a point of crisis to a clear way forward, whether that be a business restructure, family succession or a dignified exit from farming.

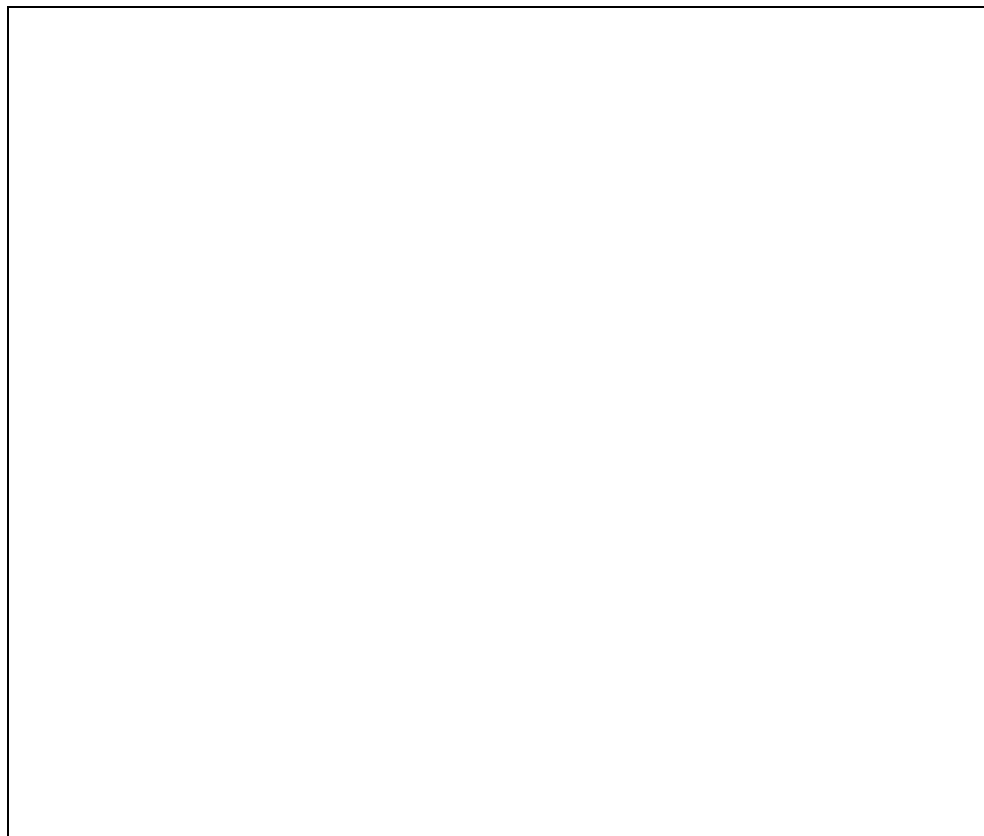
The charity advocated on behalf of the local farming community in meetings and consultations with local and national organisations.

The Trustees had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit during meetings and in formulating the plans for future operations.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.



Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Nine meetings of the FarmCornwall Forum were held during the year.

To support the FROW we engaged two additional part-time staff. One has particular expertise in environmental land management and the other in legal issues and family succession.

The following is a summary of the activities of the FROW & support staff

Farm Visits	345
Mental Health visits	190
Crisis/hardship	245
Debt advice	87
Training advice/signposting	182
Women's Group membership	177
Support for Farm led initiatives	2
Assistance for grant funding	59
Support to exit agriculture	2

During the year we sent out quarterly newsletters to 500 farming families. In addition we increased our use of Facebook to keep in touch with the farming community both through the Farm Advisor FB page and the 'Cornish Ladies in Wellies' FB aimed at connecting women in the farming industry. We now have volunteer co-ordinators in the East and West of the County to run events for this group.

In response to evidence of increasing isolation for farmers in the 26-40 year age bracket we launched an initiative for 'next generation farmers'. This involved a farm visit in the summer followed by 'pasty and a pint' in a local pub. We intend to expand on this programme in 2022/23.

With Covid numbers declining, farmers have returned to markets and shows and the Charity had a presence at many of these to re-engage face to face with farming families.

The charity continues to work with the Princes' Countryside Fund to deliver programmes in Cornwall aimed at helping farming families to improve business resilience and prepare for the changes in farming subsidies.

During Covid we established an informal group of similar organisations including Farm Community Network FCN, Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution RABI, Exmoor Hill Farm Network, Dartmoor Hill Farm Network, Farm Fit (mental health support), Cornwall Rural chaplaincy. We have continued these regular meetings via zoom and occasionally in person. This has enabled us to offer a wrap-around support for farming families, learn from best practice and enhance the services we offer.

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Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity's policy is to raise sufficient funds that a reserve can be established to maintain a consistent level of activity during times of reduced grant funding. The charity is working towards building a reserve sufficient to cover one year's expenditure.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The main source of funds has been from charitable trusts, donations from local estates and a grant from the Princes' Countryside Fund.

Section F

Other optional information


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Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Richard Thomas	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	
Date	12/1/23	



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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/08/2021	To	31/07/2022
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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 and Grants	6,066	25,000		31,066	96,944
Consultancy	68,405			68,405	11,902
Travel Charges	2,318			2,318	-
Other Income				-	200
Interest Received	9			9	4
				-	-
				-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	76,798	25,000	-	101,798	109,050
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Loan Repayment		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	76,798	25,000	-	101,798	109,050
A3 Payments					
Bank & Merchant Fees paid				-	5
Computer & IT Costs	1,565			1,565	773
Events & Workshops	1,346			1,346	348
Insurance	11,244			11,244	4,584
Marketing	2,050			2,050	2,108
Meeting Costs	131			131	41
Office Expenses	1,192			1,192	935
Payroll & Pension Costs	51,678	3,532		55,210	39,619
Postage	44			44	11
Premises	4,739			4,739	3,831
Accounting & Administration Services	10,300			10,300	6,869
Farmer Support Staff Costs					71
Staff Costs & Training	417			417	417
Subscriptions	376			376	1,102
Phone	1,710			1,710	1,774
Travel	5,796			5,796	3,791
Sub total	92,589	3,532	-	96,121	66,282
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Fixed Assets				-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	92,589	3,532	-	96,121	66,282
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 15,791	21,468	-	5,677	42,768
A5 Transfers between funds				-	
A6 Cash funds last year end	63,357	12,849		76,206	33,437
Cash funds this year end	47,566	34,317		81,883	76,205

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 Current Account	376	21,468	-
	Bank Savings Account	47,164	12,849	-
	Petty Cash	26	-	-
	Total cash funds	47,566	34,317	-
	(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 £
	Debtors	4,865	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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)
	Furniture	Unrestricted	236	-
	Computer Equipment	Unrestricted	1,376	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Creditors	Unrestricted	273	
	PAYE & Pension Liabilities	Unrestricted	240	
	TUPE Provision	Restricted	4,401	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

R THOMAS

Date of approval

12/1/23



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

FarmCornwall CIO

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st July 2022

**Charity no
(if any)**

1162845

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/07/2022.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

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

Signed:

Date:

27th October 2022

Name:

Michelle Hook

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

Address:

35 Treeve Lane, Connor Downs, Hayle, Cornwall TR27 5DQ

Section B

Disclosure

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

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

Nothing to disclose

FARMCORNWALL

England & Wales - Charity number 1162845

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
From	1	August	2020	To	31	July	2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

BARN B, HENDRA	
TREMETHICK CROSS	
PENZANCE, CORNWALL	
Postcode	TR20 8UD

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	Stephen Colin Bone	Trustee		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Accountant	Michelle Hook	Steren Ltd. 35 Treeve Lane, Connor Downs, Hayle, TR27 5DQ
Company Secretary	Deborah Evans	Barn House, Mill Road, Penponds, Camborne TR14 0QH

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

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Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The charity works with other local & national farming help charities. Two of the charity trustees are also directors of FarmCornwall CIC • A local forum has been established. Stakeholders in the local farming community are invited to attend forum meetings and discuss issues and provide guidance or raise concerns. • All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or benefits. • The major risks identified are; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial – failure to secure sufficient funding to deliver the charitable objectives. A management accounting process is in place to monitor performance against budget and provide cashflow forecasts. It is the aim of the Trustees to build a financial reserve equivalent to 1 year's operating costs to ensure long term security. Failure to meet charitable objectives – inadequate or negligent advice could severely affect those who seek the charity's help. A BIAC accredited Farm Advisor & Rural Outreach Worker has been employed on a permanent basis. Both he and the Secretary are trained in Suicide Intervention. The specialised services of other farming help and mental health charities are engaged as appropriate.

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objects of the CIO are, for the benefit of the public:-
(1) to prevent and relieve poverty or financial hardship, and to relieve sickness and preserve health, amongst farmers, their families and workers primarily through the provision of advice and support; and
(2) to relieve and prevent the suffering of animals, particularly, but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, within Cornwall.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

During the year the FarmCornwall Forum met on a bi-monthly basis throughout the year and farmers, advisors and other stakeholders were invited to attend. Particular issues of concern were discussed and where applicable confidential discussions have taken place to offer expert advice to the Farm Advisor and Rural Outreach Worker to assist him in supporting farmers experiencing financial hardship and/or health problems.

The charity offered support to farming families throughout Cornwall to find solutions to longstanding issues and move from a point of crisis to a clear way forward, whether that be a business restructure, family succession or a dignified exit from farming.

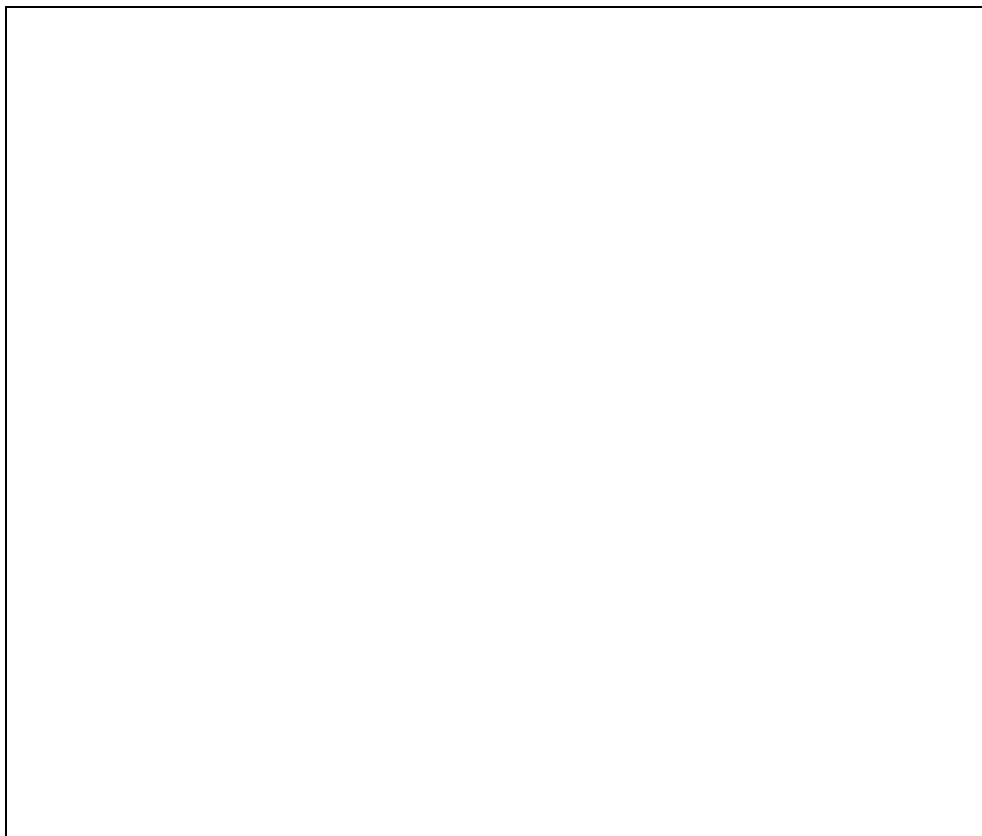
The charity advocated on behalf of the local farming community in meetings and consultations with local and national organisations.

The Trustees had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit during meetings and in formulating the plans for future operations.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.



Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Six meetings of the FarmCornwall Forum were held.

During the year we sent out bi-monthly newsletters to 500 farming families and over 100 of these engaged with us for support and assistance during the year.

In addition we increased our use of Facebook to keep in touch with the farming community both through the Farm Advisor FB page and the newly established 'Cornish Ladies in Wellies' FB aimed at connecting women in the farming industry.

The charity was again continued to work with the Princes' Countryside Fund to deliver the Princes' Farm Resilience Programme in Cornwall aimed at small livestock farming families to improve business resilience. The programme that had been suspended in 2020 was restarted together with meetings of the Alumni group that was established to continue the work with previous participants in Resilience Programme

The charity worked with Farm Fit, a Cornwall based programme of mental health support for those working in the farming industry. When our whole farm approach to business problems identified mental health concerns the Farm Advisor signposted individuals to a trained counsellor for appropriate support.

The charity worked with other similar farmer network organisations to learn from best practice and enhance the services offered.

As Covid restrictions eased during the year we increased the number of face-to-face meetings with farmers and also organised small group meetings for breakfast of farm walks. Those farmers who had been particularly isolated or disadvantaged during lockdown were invited to these.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity's policy is to raise sufficient funds that a reserve can be established to maintain a consistent level of activity during times of reduced grant funding. The charity is working towards building a reserve sufficient to cover one year's expenditure.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The main source of funds has been from other charitable trusts, donations from local estates and a grant from the Princes' Countryside Fund.

Section F

Other optional information


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Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Richard Thomas	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	

Date




FarmCornwall		1162845		CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	01/08/2020	To	31/07/2021	

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 and Grants	87,250	9,694		96,944	50,397
Consultancy	11,902			11,902	15,703
Travel Charges				-	846
Other Income	200			200	
Interest Received	4			4	-
				-	-
				-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	99,355	9,694	-	109,050	66,946
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Loan Repayment		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	99,355	9,694	-	109,050	66,946
A3 Payments					
Bank & Merchant Fees paid	5			5	-
Computer & IT Costs	773			773	1,074
Events & Workshops	348			348	1,280
Insurance	4,584			4,584	2,743
Marketing	2,108			2,108	1,731
Meeting Costs	41			41	277
Office Expenses	935			935	473
Payroll & Pension Costs	38,373	1,248		39,619	40,339
Postage	11			11	83
Premises	3,831			3,831	2,672
Accounting & Administration Services	6,869			6,869	6,385
Farmer Support Staff Costs	71			71	653
Staff Costs & Training	417			417	417
Subscriptions	1,102			1,102	452
Phone	1,774			1,774	1,469
Travel	3,792			3,792	4,461
				-	-
Sub total	65,035	1,248	-	66,281	64,510
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Fixed Assets				-	1,276
Sub total	-	-	-	-	1,276
Total payments	65,035	1,248	-	66,281	65,786
Net of receipts/(payments)	34,320	8,446	-	42,766	1,160
A5 Transfers between funds				-	
A6 Cash funds last year end	29,036	4,401		33,437	32,277
Cash funds this year end	63,356	12,849		76,205	33,437

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 Current Account	6,152		-
	Bank Savings Account	57,154	12,849	-
	Petty Cash	50	-	-
	Total cash funds	63,356	12,849	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Debtors	7,003	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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)
	Furniture	Unrestricted	74	-
	Computer Equipment	Unrestricted	890	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Creditors	Unrestricted	1,433	
	PAYE & Pension Liabilities	Unrestricted	2,203	
	TUPE Provision	Restricted	4,401	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	 <small>Richard Thomas (Feb 17, 2022 09:17 GMT)</small>	Richard Thomas	16/2/2022



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

FarmCornwall

On accounts for the year ended

31st July 2021

Charity no (if any)

1162845

Set out on pages

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/07/2021.

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

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

Signed:

[Signature]

Date:

13th February 2022

Name:

Michelle Hook

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body

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Address: 35 Treeve Lane, Connor Downs, Hayle, Cornwall TR27 5DQ

Section B Disclosure

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

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

Nothing to disclose

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