



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1	August	2020		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		
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
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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

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.

- 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;
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

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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 or 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	16/2/22	




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	1,246		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	1,246	-	66,281	64,510
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Fixed Assets				-	1,276
Sub total	-	-	-	-	1,276
Total payments	65,035	1,246	-	66,281	65,786
Net of receipts/(payments)	34,320	8,448	-	42,768	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 (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	63,356	12,849	-
B2 Other monetary assets	Debtors	7,008	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets				
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Furniture	Unrestricted	74	-
	Computer Equipment	Unrestricted	890	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Creditors	Unrestricted	1,433	
	PAYE & Pension Liabilities	Unrestricted	2,203	
	TUPE Provision	Restricted	4,401	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Print Name		Date of approval
Signature  <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

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

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

[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:

Date: 13th February 2022

Name:

Michelle Hook

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

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

Section B	Disclosure
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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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