



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1	August	2021		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)
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 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.

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Achievements and performance

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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.

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	



FarmCornwall		1162845		CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	01/08/2021	To	31/07/2022	

Section A Receipts and payments

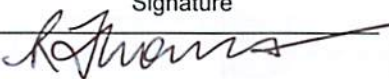
	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations and Grants	6,066	25,000		31,066	96,944
Consultancy	68,405			68,405	11,902
Travel Charges	2,318			2,318	-
Other Income				-	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	Debtors	4,865	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets				
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use				
	Furniture	Unrestricted	236	-
	Computer Equipment	Unrestricted	1,376	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities				
	Creditors	Unrestricted	273	
	PAYE & Pension Liabilities	Unrestricted	240	
	TUPE Provision	Restricted	4,401	
			-	

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	R THOMAS	12/1/23

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



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