

Charity Number: 1163084

LONGLANDS

**Alternative Education and Mental Health Support
for 12 – 19 year olds on a working farm
Annual Report 2022**



*Mechanic class, inspecting the tractor, lunch in the Roundhouse,
meet the team, Winter Wonderland.*

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Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Registration Number	1163084
Trustees	Benjamin Allman Julian Clapp Edward Joseph Evans Emma Gregory Iain Morrison Mark Molloy (Chair)
Principal Office	Longlands Farm, Whitbourne Hall Park, Whitbourne, Worcester, WR6 SSG
Accountants	Cole Bishop & Co, Market Square Chambers, Bromyard, Herefordshire, HR7 4BP
Independent Examiner	Cole Bishop & Co, Market Square Chambers, Bromyard, Herefordshire, HR7 4BP
Bankers	Lloyds Bank Plc

Welcome from the Chair

As we've emerged from the pandemic into evermore uncertainty nationally and internationally, I'm pleased to report that Longlands is thriving. There is growing confidence both within the service, and all those commissioning it, of Longlands role in supporting and improving good outcomes for the ever increasing numbers of vulnerable young people out of formal education and sometimes out of education altogether. This is only possible firstly, by the leadership of our Chief Executive and the total commitment of our frontline staff team, supported by a small group of dedicated volunteers.

We've also managed to strengthen Longlands Trustee Board with the appointment of a very experienced education professional who has been both a headteacher over many years plus, an executive head of a multi-academy trust within which were a number of schools meeting the needs of vulnerable young people. The new trustee also has extensive experience of Ofsted. The combined impact of all this for the Trustee Board is to bring clarity and direction for Longlands as an alternative education provider.

With financial donations from both individuals and organisations we have been able to build in pay increases for all staff in recognising their high quality work and commitment to the young people. This helps to keep the team stable which is so critical in building good, trusting relationships with the young people.

Our goal for every child/young person who attends Longlands is to give them hope for their future and as part of this to improve their life chances in achieving their ambitions and dreams. We can only do this by being able to call upon a large number of supporters and volunteers whose hard work, enthusiasm and dedication makes such a difference. Thank you for your support. This makes it all possible.

Mark Molloy, Chair of Trustees

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Welcome from the Chief Executive

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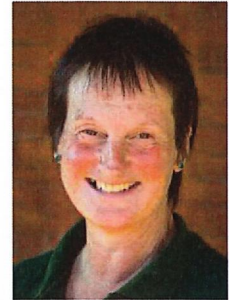
CEO's Report for Annual Return to Charity Commission

The Roundhouse has had a huge impact on the provision Longlands offers. It is in constant daily use during term time as the hub of operations where students staff and volunteers meet and depart from, where we prepare and eat lunch, study, undertake arts and crafts, and generally socialise. Previously activities were focused solely around farm and equine. This large, light, warm and comfortable space meets the needs of a wider range of students.

The gardens and polytunnel are established, producing a range of seasonal fruit and veg which students are all involved in growing. With the employment of a qualified mechanic vehicle and machine maintenance, fabrication and carpentry all take place and a workshop is being developed.

Student numbers and referrals continue to increase, with around 30 students attending, mainly two days a week. The number of Commissioners remains at around twelve. Nine students are undertaking City and Guilds level 1 land based studies and eight are undertaking AQA awards.

A family support and therapeutic practitioner has been in post since Sept 2021, supporting individual students, parents and carers and has been funded by The National Lottery Community Fund. As numbers of students increase, we plan to employ a further two or three sessional staff.



Julia Evans, Chief Executive

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Trustees' Report

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charitable company for the year ended 31 August 2022.

Our aims and objectives

Objectives

The objective of the charity is to provide an alternative environment where young people are inspired to engage in learning and social development, through land-based and animal care activities. These students may be disaffected or excluded from mainstream education; are experiencing difficult and challenging times in their lives; have barriers to learning or authority; or are struggling with mental and emotional well-being, anxiety, stress, or anger.

Charitable aims

Our ultimate charitable purpose is to remove barriers to the achievement of students. We aim to fulfil this by:

- Empowering students to determine what happens in their lives
- Re-engaging young people in learning through vocational training and meaningful work

Public benefit

The achievement of these long term aims drives our objectives and activity programme. We review our aims, objectives and activities every year. To ensure that our work continues to deliver the most benefit towards our charitable aims, we:

- Consider the outputs of our activities
- Assess the benefit of those activities on students
- Develop future objectives

Achievements and performance

The Roundhouse is now complete which has greatly enhanced and allowed our provision to expand, both in the number of students attending daily and the range of activities that they undertake.

Our six staff are a committed, skilful and experienced team and achieve very good results with teenagers who are in need of support, encouragement and mentoring.

We work on a ratio of 2:1, with capacity for 1:1 support when needed.

Attendance and retention of our student's is excellent and most students who attend for more than a term attain a City & Guilds Level 1 Land-based or AQA Unit Award qualification. All gain confidence, self esteem and skills.

We receive referrals on a weekly basis and are operating at capacity with 35-40 day sessions per week.

Through National Lottery funding we have been able to employ a Therapeutic Practitioner to specifically support the mental health of our students and work with their families.

Future plans

Offer more student placements and develop new services through:

Capital funding

- Extend the range of provision offered through investment in:
 - Horticultural facilities
 - Construction workshop facilities
 - Mechanic workshop facilities

Core funding

- Employ part-time sessional worker for mental health support work through Art, Cooking.
- Support more students who have no, or limited, access to public funding, particularly Post 16.

Supporters

We thank all of our supporters and sponsors - large and small - who helped Longlands achieve a successful year. Supporters during the financial year included:

- West Mercia Police and Crime Commissioner
- The National Lottery Community Fund
- The Herefordshire Community Foundation
- Eveson Trust
- Mr & Mrs Owens
- Mr & Mrs Lumb
- Individuals via JustGiving and crowdfunding
- The dozen volunteers who give their time with day-to-day duties, publicity and events.
- And others who helped by donating money, services or their time

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Trustees' Report (continued...)

Financial Review

The balance sheet has strengthened in the year to 31 August 2022 in no small part due to the support of significant donations and grants. With the completion of the Roundhouse, we have now begun to depreciate the building over 10 years. Debtors were high due to early invoicing of the first autumn term and this is offset with a deferred income adjustment within creditors. Cash was high at the year end purely because of timing of several grants. We are also carrying a restricted fund for the mental health support worker spend which has been funded by the National Lottery Community Fund.

In the year to 31 August 2022, the charity generated a net income of £33,734 (2021: £7,248). This can be explained by an increase in student numbers since the CoVid-affected 2021, giving an income figure of £104,656 in 2022 compared to £60,754 in 2021. There was also an increase in donations received with two significant private donations of £10,000 in 2022 each being the difference between the two years. In terms of funding operations the charity continues to be greatly dependent on grants from sources such as the PCC which alone contributed £30,000 in the year to 31 August 2022. Without this funding, the charity's core operations would be near to breakeven.

Annual running costs before depreciation have increased with 2022 seeing total expenditure pre-depreciation of £134,706 (2021: £111,642). This is as a result of an increased wage bill with the hire of a mental health support worker funded by the Lottery Fund as above.

The Trustees have approved a reserves policy which seeks to retain six months' of running costs in cash and liquid resources. Significant deviations above or below this target need to be addressed promptly. At the reporting date, the reserves ratio was within the acceptable range.

There are no current concerns about the charities ability to continue as a going concern, but the charity needs to continue to secure external funding to maintain and develop its services.

Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is governed by its founding constitution dated 20 March 2015, as amended most recently on 1 August 2016. The constitution provides that the Trustees manage the affairs of the charity.

The charity must have a minimum of three Trustees at all time, and a maximum of 12. Other than the original Trustees, Trustees are appointed for a three year term and are eligible for re-appointment.

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Trustees' Report (continued...)


Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities


The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.


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Mr M Molloy
Chair and Trustee


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Mr B E Allman
Treasurer and Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Longlands Care Farm CIO

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2021 which are set out on pages 9 to 17.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees of Longlands Care Farm CIO 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 Longlands Care Farm CIO'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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Longlands Care Farm CIO as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting 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.

..... Cole Bishop
Cole Bishop & Co

Date:..... 20.6.23

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 August 2022
(Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2022 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	3	66,238	21,667	87,905
Charitable activities	4	104,656	-	104,656
Total Income		170,894	21,667	192,561
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	5	(216)	-	(216)
Charitable activities	6	(139,314)	(19,297)	(158,611)
Total Expenditure		(139,530)	(19,297)	(158,827)
Net income		31,364	2,370	33,734
Net movement in funds		31,364	2,370	33,734
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		206,225	14,024	220,249
Total funds carried forward	15	237,589	16,394	253,983

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2021 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	3	37,831	25,606	63,437
Charitable activities	4	60,754	-	60,754
Total Income		98,585	25,606	124,191
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	5	(216)	-	(216)
Charitable activities	6	(116,168)	(559)	(116,727)
Total Expenditure		(116,384)	(559)	(116,943)
Net (expenditure)/income		(17,799)	25,047	7,248
Net movement in funds		(17,799)	25,047	7,248
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		195,501	17,500	213,001
Total funds carried forward	15	177,702	42,547	220,249

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for 2022 and 2021 is shown in note 15.


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Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	11	160,204	168,294
Current assets			
Debtors	12	25,178	3,647
Cash at bank and in hand		94,294	58,280
		119,472	61,927
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	13	(25,693)	(9,972)
Net current assets		93,779	51,955
Net assets		253,983	220,249
Funds of the charity:			
Restricted funds		16,394	14,024
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		237,589	206,225
Total funds	15	253,983	220,249

The financial statements on pages 9 to 17 were approved by the trustees, authorised for issue on

26/06/23 and signed on their behalf by:



 Mr M Molloy
 Chair and Trustee



 Mr B E Allman
 Treasurer and Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022

1 Charity status

The charity operates as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

2 Accounting policies

Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

Longlands Care Farm CIO meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern nor any significant areas of uncertainty that affect the carrying value of assets held by the charity.

Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement

The charity opted to early adopt Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016 and have therefore not included a cash flow statement in these financial statements.

Income and endowments

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of the income receivable can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued...)

Raising funds

These are costs incurred in attracting voluntary income, the management of investments and those incurred in trading activities that raise funds.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Buildings	10yr straight line
Plant and machinery	4yr straight line
Motor vehicles	4yr straight line

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued...)

Trade creditors

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the charity does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Trade creditors are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds set aside for specific purposes at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	General £	£	£	£
Regular giving and capital donations	66,238	21,667	87,905	63,437
	66,238	21,667	87,905	63,437

4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	General £	£	£
Income from student sessions	101,466	101,466	55,672
Student transportation	2,950	2,950	2,060
Other income	240	240	3,022
	104,656	104,656	60,754

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued...)

5 Expenditure on raising funds

Costs of generating donations and legacies

		Unrestricted funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	Note	General £	£	£
Other direct costs of generating voluntary income		216	216	216

6 Expenditure on charitable activities

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	Note	General £	£	£	£
Student session costs		115,409	19,297	134,706	111,642
Depreciation, amortisation and other similar costs		23,905	-	23,905	5,085
		139,134	19,297	158,611	116,727

7 Net incoming/outgoing resources

Net incoming resources for the year include:

	2022 £	2021 £
Depreciation of fixed assets	23,905	5,085

8 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year, other than as disclosed in the related party note (note 17).

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

9 Independent examiner's remuneration

The fee paid to the independent examiner for 2022 was £nil (2021: £nil).

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10 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

11 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Machinery and equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 September 2021	168,659	26,053	194,712
Additions	11,192	4,624	15,816
At 31 August 2022	179,851	30,677	210,528
Depreciation			
At 1 September 2021	13,864	12,554	26,418
Charge for the year	16,599	7,307	23,906
At 31 August 2022	30,463	19,861	50,324
Net book value			
At 31 August 2022	149,388	10,816	160,204
At 31 August 2021	154,795	13,499	168,294

12 Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade debtors	25,178	3,647
	25,178	3,647

13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade creditors	4,659	4,988
Other taxation and social security	3,326	2,382
Other creditors	390	311
Accruals and deferred income	17,318	2,291
	25,693	9,972

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued...)

14 Pension and other schemes

Defined contribution pension scheme

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension cost charge for the year represents contributions payable by the charity to the scheme and amounted to £1,785 (2021: £1,414).

15 Funds

	Balance at 1 September 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Capitalisation of funds £	Balance at 31 August 2022 £
Unrestricted funds					
General	206,225	170,894	(139,530)	-	237,589
Designated	-	-	-	-	-
Total unrestricted funds	206,225	170,894	(139,530)	-	237,589
Restricted funds	14,024	21,667	(19,297)	-	16,394
Total funds	220,249	192,561	(158,827)	-	253,983

	Balance at 1 September 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Capitalisation of funds £	Balance at 31 August 2021 £
Unrestricted funds					
General	190,271	98,585	(116,384)	33,753	206,225
Designated	5,230	-	-	(5,230)	-
Total unrestricted funds	195,501	98,585	(116,384)	28,523	206,225
Restricted funds	17,500	25,606	(559)	(28,523)	14,024
Total funds	213,001	124,191	(116,943)	-	220,249

The designated fund was established to raise funds for a new central building for the charity. Where funding is received specifically for the new building, these funds are recognised as donations through the income statement and are matched with spend on the building as it is occurred. As the expenditure is capital and not revenue, then this is recognised in the financial statements by way of capitalising the utilised funds. This is deemed appropriate as the funds have ultimately been put to their intended use.

A restricted fund was created in 2020-21 to ring-fence grant money received from the lottery Community Fund, the use of which is restricted to that of providing a mental health trained support worker and the associated costs.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued...)

16 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds		Restricted funds
	General £	Designated £	£
Tangible fixed assets	160,204	-	-
Current assets	103,078	-	16,394
Current liabilities	(25,693)	-	-
Total net assets	237,589	-	16,394

17 Related party transactions

During the year the charity made the following related party transactions:

E & P Evans

Longlands CIO is based at and operates from Longlands Farm which is owned by a partnership called E & P Evans, the partners being members of the Evans family. J G Evans is employed as the Chief Executive Officer (but is not a Trustee) and her son, E J Evans, is one of eight Trustees, which creates a number of related party transactions. A statement of potential conflict is made by E J Evans at each meeting of the Board of Trustees and he cannot vote on conflicted matters. As J G Evans is not a trustee, her attendance at meetings does not carry any voting rights.

J G Evans is employed as Chief Executive Officer and received a salary £20,000 (2021: £20,000) in the year. Her salary is agreed by the Board of Trustees and she has voluntarily decided to accept a lower salary. All amounts due were paid in full within the financial year.

Longlands CIO pays rent for using certain buildings on the farm. The annual charge for 2022 was £5,500 (2021: £3,341) which was fully paid at the end of the financial year.

Longlands CIO makes use of certain pieces of farm equipment and pays a hire fee. The annual charge is £nil (2021: £1,365) which was fully paid at the end of the financial year. The value of this transaction is calculated as 15% of the value of equipment. The Board of Trustees approves all contracts.

At the balance sheet date the amount due to/from E & P Evans was £Nil (2021 - £Nil).