



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

| From | Period start date | | | To | Period end date | | |
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| | Day 09 | Month 04 | Year 2023 | | Day 06 | Month 04 | Year 2024 |

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Friends of the Clwydian Range and Dee Valley

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1163812

Charity's principal address

C/O Loggerheads Country Park

Loggerheads

Denbighshire

Postcode

CH7 5LH

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 | Julie Masters | Chair | | |
| 2 | Robert Moore | | | |
| 3 | Ron Williams | | | |
| 4 | Michael Skuse | | | |
| 5 | Nick Ward | Treasurer and Membership Secretary | | |
| 6 | John Roberts | General Secretary | | |
| 7 | Christine Evans | | | |
| 8 | Michael Smart | | | |
| 9 | Helen Roberts | | | |
| 10 | Rajan Madhok | | | |
| 11 | Martyn Holland | | From 9/2/2023 | |
| 12 | David Smith | | From 9/2/2023 | |
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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 |
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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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| Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution) | Charitable Incorporated Organisation model constitution |
| How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company) | CIO |
| Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by) | Approved by members at AGM; recommended by Trustees having demonstrated a commitment to the Charity's objectives. |

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.

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| <p>The Charity's day to day business is conducted by a Committee comprising all of its Trustees who meet on a regular basis.</p> <p>The Charity works closely with the staff of the Clwydian Range and Dee Valley Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) – a statutory body charged with caring for this nationally designated landscape. It receives support and advice from the full-time team whilst maintaining its independence.</p> <p>The Charity is a member of both Flintshire and Denbighshire Voluntary Services Councils and receives advice and support where appropriate.</p> <p>No major risks to the Charity are currently anticipated.</p> |
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Section C Objectives and activities

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

To discover, enjoy and protect the Clwydian Range and Dee Valley Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

To assist in the safeguarding and improvement of its amenities for the benefit of the public, either alone or in co-operation with others with the same or related objectives.

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)

The Charity has arranged a series of visits, walks and lectures for its members which have also been open to members of the general public. These have included events of wide-ranging interest relevant to the protection and sustainability of the special landscape of the AONB, embracing archaeology, natural history, local history and heritage as well as pure enjoyment of the landscape and countryside.

The Charity has a current membership of over two hundred individuals.

The Trustees are fully aware of the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit.

The Charity produces a quarterly newsletter produced by the Trustees on a voluntary basis.

The Charity has its own website.

The Charity is now a member of the Alliance of Welsh Designated Landscapes.

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.

The Charity is run on an entirely voluntary basis but freely acknowledges the help and support it receives from the AONB's paid full time staff.

The Charity remains a shareholder in the Corwen Electricity Co-operative on behalf of the AONB. The donated asset comprised four thousand shares with a nominal value of £1 each.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

A full and varied programme of events, visits and talks of relevance to its members as supporters of the AONB and its objectives.

Giving members the opportunity to gain a much closer understanding of the AONB and the importance of its protected landscape status.

Assisting relevant organisations with small scale financial support.

Communicating its activities and performance clearly to members through its newsletter and website.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Charity had no reserves during the financial year 2022/23. The Charity is committed to supporting worthwhile projects in keeping with its objectives but has resolved to always retain a minimum of £3000 in its accounts to meet unforeseen contingencies.

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 Charity benefitted initially from an establishment grant from the AONB's Sustainable Development Fund.

Members subscriptions – deliberately set at a modest £10 per annum for individuals (£12 if not paying by Direct Debit) – is now its principal source of income but further grant aid may be sought in the future if the Charity wishes to broaden the scope of its activities in support of its objectives,

The Charity is now registered for Gift Aid.

Section F

Other optional information

The Charity has received additional funding from the Sustainable Development Fund which has enabled it to engage paid administrative support for 5 hours per week.

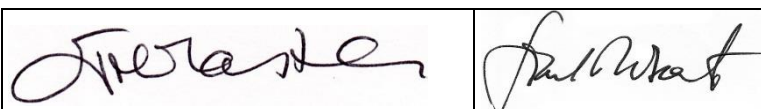
Section G

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)

Julie Masters

John Roberts

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

14/12/24



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Friends of Clwydian Range & Dee Valley

No (if any)
1163812

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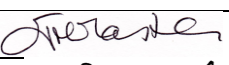
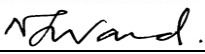
Receipts and payments accounts

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| For the period from | Period start date 09/04/2022 | To | Period end date 06/04/2023 |
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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 | | | | | |
| Subscriptions / donations from members | 1,871 | - | - | 1,871 | - |
| Share interest from Corwen Electricity | 123 | - | - | 123 | - |
| Grant from Sustainable Dev Fund | - | 2,900 | - | 2,900 | - |
| Gift Aid reclaimed | 1,563 | - | - | 1,563 | - |
| Donations (Offa's Dyke walk) | 20 | - | - | 20 | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total (Gross income for AR) | 3,577 | 2,900 | - | 6,477 | - |
| A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table). | | | | | |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total receipts | 3,577 | 2,900 | - | 6,477 | - |
| A3 Payments | | | | | |
| 1. Printing, postage, stationary | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2. Event expenses | 185 | - | - | 185 | - |
| 3. Admin assistant | 88 | 232 | - | 320 | - |
| 4. Web hosting | 14 | - | - | 14 | - |
| 5. Public liability insurance | - | - | - | - | - |
| 6. Prizes, donations, projects | - | - | - | - | - |
| 7. Translation | - | - | - | - | - |
| 8. Membership of other organisations | 10 | - | - | 10 | - |
| 9. Miscellaneous | 61 | - | - | 61 | - |
| Sub total | 358 | 232 | - | 590 | - |
| A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table) | | | | | |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total payments | 358 | 232 | - | 590 | - |
| Net of receipts/(payments) | 3,219 | 2,668 | - | 5,887 | - |
| A5 Transfers between funds | - | - | - | - | - |
| A6 Cash funds last year end | 9,036 | 625 | - | 9,661 | - |
| Cash funds this year end | 12,255 | 3,293 | - | 15,548 | - |

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 | | - | - | - |
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| | | - | - | - |
| | Total cash funds | 12,255 | 3,293 | - |
| | (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s)) | OK | OK | OK |
| | | Unrestricted funds to nearest £ | Restricted funds to nearest £ | Endowment funds to nearest £ |
| B2 Other monetary assets | | - | - | - |
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| B3 Investment assets | | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
| | Donated shares in Corwen Electricity Cooperative (4000no with nominal value £1) | n/a | - | - |
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| B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use | | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
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| B5 Liabilities | | Fund to which liability relates | Amount due (optional) | When due (optional) |
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| Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees | Signature | Print Name | Date of approval | |
| |  | Julie Masters | 14/01/2024 | |
| |  | Nick Ward | 14/01/2024 | |