



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022

Charity name: Friends of Milkhope

Charity registration number: 1165150

Objectives and Activities

Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	<p>The objects of friends of Milkhope are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. For the public benefit to promote the education (including social and physical training) of young people, in particular school pupils in Northumberland and surrounding counties2. To help young people in Northumberland and surrounding counties, especially but not exclusively through leisure time activities, so as to develop their capabilities that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society.3. To promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of Northumberland and surrounding counties and the surrounding area the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, financial hardship or social and economic circumstances or for the public at large in the interests of social welfare and with the object of improving the Condition of life of the said inhabitants
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	<p>Management and development of an outdoor centre called Milkhope farmhouse, Kidland forest, Alwinton, Northumberland. Organisation of educational visits for young people and community groups in the north east.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	<p>All Trustees informed at the AGM on 9 June 2022.</p>

Achievements and Performance

<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.</p>	<p><u>Post Covid and Storm Arwen:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial stability maintained throughout 2021-2022, despite several issues emerging post Covid. • Milkhope has been closed to the public on several occasions due to Covid restrictions throughout 2021 and the after effects of "Storm Arwen" from November 2021 – October 2022. • Forestry Commission closed the area around Milkhope due to ongoing safety concerns relating to fallen trees. • Some visitors did manage to make it up to Milkhope, so there was some income, but not as much as a "normal" year. • Continued improvement in facilities both indoor and outdoor, despite lack of significant access. New ceilings in social area, retaining wall and additional car parking spaces created on approach to the centre and 4 new additional batteries for solar power system. Lots of catch-up jobs also undertaken. • Improved links with a variety of local groups ready for reopening and visits to start again.
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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	£19,543.46 Credit in account
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	The Friends of Milkhope attempted to create a "buffer" of approximately £5000 in contingency funding in the event of unexpected events limiting access to the centre.
Amount of reserves held	£5000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	N/A

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:	
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Articles of Association
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Appointed by AGM selection process. Reviewed on 9 June 2022

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Friends of Milkhope
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1165150
Charity's principal address	Astley Community High School Elsdon Avenue Seaton Delaval Northumberland NE25 0BP

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	Graham Scott	Chairperson		
2	Alan Dennis	Maintenance Manager		
3	Jan Robinson	Secretary		
4	Jackie Laszczewski	Fundraising Manager		
5	Ian Knight			
6	Ian Brown			
7	Paul Air			
8	Doris Kaczmierczak			
9	Trevor Scott			
10	Andrew Donald	Finance		
11	Chris Ord			
12	Jonathan Scott			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Exemptions from disclosure

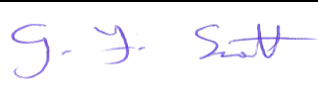

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Graham Scott	Alan Dennis
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairperson	
Date	11th January 2023	

Milkhope Accounts 2021-2022

Doc No.	Date	Description	Type	Income	Expend.	Balance
	31/03/20	Carry Forward from 2020-2021				£ 20,603.29
E01	01/04/21	Alan Dennis (Fire Alarms)	Reimburse		£ 675.01	£ 19,928.28
	09/04/21	Tradepoint (March 2021)	Invoice		£ 45.68	£ 19,882.60
	09/04/21	Pure Energy Renewals (4 x batteries)	Invoice		£ 4,610.40	£ 15,272.20
	12/04/21	Alan Dennis (Various)	Reimburse		£ 105.23	£ 15,166.97
	12/04/21	Duncan Norman (Northumberland Chimney Sweep)	Invoice		£ 135.00	£ 15,031.97
	12/04/21	Alan Dennis (<i>Correction - above transaction should have been £150.23</i>)	Reimburse		£ 45.00	£ 14,986.97
	12/04/21	Alan Dennis Return of Petty Cash Balance	Reimburse	£ 1.63		£ 14,988.60
	16/04/21	R Robson - Gas work	Invoice		£ 187.50	£ 14,801.10
	21/04/21	Northumberland County Council Business Restart Grant	Grant	£ 8,000.00		£ 22,801.10
	21/04/21	Daisy Communications	Invoice		£ 16.43	£ 22,784.67
	10/05/21	Toolstation (April)	Invoice		£ 121.28	£ 22,663.39
	09/05/21	Alan Dennis (Coal/stopcock coves)	Reimburse		£ 91.73	£ 22,571.66
	09/05/21	Tradepoint (April 2021)	Invoice		£ 6.52	£ 22,565.14
	20/05/21	Daisy Communications	Invoice		£ 17.29	£ 22,547.85
	03/06/21	Toolstation (May 2021)	Invoice		£ 49.08	£ 22,498.77
	10/06/21	Forestry Rent	Invoice		£ 600.00	£ 21,898.77
	14/06/21	Alan Dennis	Reimburse		£ 377.60	£ 21,521.17
	17/06/21	Daisy Communications	Invoice		£ 1.14	£ 21,520.03
	19/07/21	Daisy Communications	Invoice		£ 33.61	£ 21,486.42
	19/07/21	Tradepoint	Invoice		£ 72.96	£ 21,413.46
	30/07/21	Julie Harbottle (6-9 Aug)	Let	£ 320.00		£ 21,733.46
	02/08/21	Mark Fenwick (12-15 Aug)	Let	£ 300.00		£ 22,033.46
	02/08/21	Colette Da Prato (29 July - 2 Aug)	Let	£ 200.00		£ 22,233.46
	09/08/21	Barras (23-24 Jul)	Let	£ 100.00		£ 22,333.46
	18/08/21	Daisy Communications	Invoice		£ 17.16	£ 22,316.30
	18/08/21	Jackie Laszczewski (Irana) (20-22 Aug)	Let	£ 120.00		£ 22,436.30
	03/09/21	Julie Harbottle (3-4 Sep)	Let	£ 160.00		£ 22,596.30
	13/09/21	Hidden Northumberland (Ian Glendinning) (10-12 Sep)	Let	£ 220.00		£ 22,816.30
	13/09/21	Michael Batey (17-19 Sep)	Let	£ 100.00		£ 22,916.30
	17/09/21	Daisy Communications	Invoice		£ 19.21	£ 22,897.09
	22/09/21	The Traveller and the Bear	Let	£ 50.00		£ 22,947.09
DC1	23/09/21	Barden UK - New starter battery for generator	Debit Card		£ 179.21	£ 22,767.88
	27/09/21	Postoffice deposit - Hire by Robinson 2 weekends	Let	£ 400.00		£ 23,167.88
DC3	27/09/21	Amazon - Absorbant Pads	Debit Card		£ 17.99	£ 23,149.89
DC2	25/09/21	B&M - Puppy Pads	Debit Card		£ 3.99	£ 23,145.90
DC5	27/09/21	B&M - String	Debit Card		£ 2.99	£ 23,142.91
DC4	27/09/21	EBay - Grasscutter tyres (Part refund TBA)	Debit Card		£ 81.99	£ 23,060.92

DC6	29/09/21	Toolstation - ??	Debit Card		£ 7.98	£ 23,052.94
	29/09/21	Carrie Walton (1-4 Oct) (inc £50 towards Christmas)	Let	£ 150.00		£ 23,202.94
DC7	01/10/21	FineMesh - Gabions	Debit Card		£ 751.07	£ 22,451.87
DC8	04/10/21	Sharrocks - Grasscutter parts	Debit Card		£ 276.06	£ 22,175.81
	04/10/21	Lasczewski (8-10 Oct)	Let	£ 100.00		£ 22,275.81
DC9	05/10/21	EBay - Fuel hose Genny	Debit Card		£ 3.45	£ 22,272.36
DC10	05/10/21	EBay - Innertubes Grasscutter	Debit Card		£ 24.50	£ 22,247.86
DC11	06/10/21	EBay - Primer bulb for Genny	Debit Card		£ 5.65	£ 22,242.21
DC12	08/10/21	EBay - Refund on Tyres (see DC4)	Debit Card		-£ 15.00	£ 22,257.21
DC13	09/10/21	B&M - Oil for Grasscutter	Debit Card		£ 7.99	£ 22,249.22
DC14	10/10/21	Lakes and Dales - Fuel for Grasscutter	Debit Card		£ 10.00	£ 22,239.22
DC16	12/10/21	Amazon - Grassseed, Battery Grasscutter, pegs for matting	Debit Card		£ 69.97	£ 22,169.25
DC15	12/10/21	EBAY - Fence Posts	Debit Card		£ 24.90	£ 22,144.35
DC17	13/10/21	JCB - Hired in Plant insurance	Debit Card		£ 100.83	£ 22,043.52
DC18	18/10/21	Amazon - Fuel pump	Debit Card		£ 10.99	£ 22,032.53
	19/10/21	Daisy Communications	Invoice		£ 19.63	£ 22,012.90
DC19	20/10/21	Sharrocks - Grasscutter parts	Debit Card		£ 81.83	£ 21,931.07
DC20	20/10/21	Sharrocks - Grasscutter parts - Wrong Belt REFUND	Debit Card		-£ 72.58	£ 22,003.65
DC21	21/10/21	JT Doves - Wood for ceiling, stone.	Debit Card		£ 842.17	£ 21,161.48
	22/10/21	NHPC (15-17 Oct)	Let	£ 135.00		£ 21,296.48
DC22	25/10/21	Toolstation - Paint, Greasegun, wire cutter	Debit Card		£ 58.88	£ 21,237.60
DC23	28/10/21	Screwfix - gate castor	Debit Card		£ 14.79	£ 21,222.81
DC24	01/11/21	B&M - Firelighters	Debit Card		£ 10.00	£ 21,212.81
	03/11/21	P Air (Kev's Stag)	Let	£ 50.00		£ 21,262.81
	05/11/21	P Air (Brother) (22-24 Oct)	Let	£ 20.00		£ 21,282.81
	15/11/21	Daisy Communications	Invoice		£ 50.53	£ 21,232.28
DC25	15/11/21	Morrisons - Fairy Liquid	Debit Card		£ 2.00	£ 21,230.28
DC26	15/11/21	B&M - Firelighters	Debit Card		£ 10.00	£ 21,220.28
	17/11/21	Nixon Hire - JCB and Dumper	Invoice		£ 667.20	£ 20,553.08
	22/11/21	C Da Prato	Let	£ 200.00		£ 20,753.08
	07/11/21	Forestry Rent	Invoice		£ 600.00	£ 20,153.08
	13/12/21	Daisy Communications	Invoice		£ 13.49	£ 20,139.59
DC27	21/12/21	Gustharts - chainsaw repair	Debit Card		£ 47.50	£ 20,092.09
	04/03/22	One Stop Hire (Whacker plate)	Invoice		£ 41.10	£ 20,050.99
	14/03/22	Daisy Communications	Invoice		£ 9.01	£ 20,041.98
	28/03/22	Zurich (Insurance)	Invoice		£ 498.52	£ 19,543.46
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