

KESCRG

England & Wales · Charity number 1165205

Details

Other names KESCRG CANAL RESTORATION GROUP

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2016-01-19

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE THE RESTORATION, CONSERVATION, MAINTENANCE AND PROTECTION OF CANALS AND WATERWAYS WITHIN THE UK FOR THE USE AND BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY THROUGH THE PROVISION OF WORK PARTIES AND VOLUNTARY LABOUR TO UNDERTAKE PHYSICAL RESTORATION AND MAINTENANCE IN CONJUNCTION WITH WATERWAYS SOCIETIES AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS.

Activities: KESCRG exists to coordinate volunteer working parties to aid canal restoration projects generally but not exclusively around the south of England. These working parties run broadly one weekend a month.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services
- **What:** Environment/conservation/heritage, Recreation
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£1,606	£1,936	-	-
2024-04-05	£3,001	£2,223	-	-
2023-04-05	£962	£1,832	-	-
2022-04-05	£394	£1,579	-	-
2021-04-05	£2,000	£803	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Stephen Roger Davis	Chair	2019-01-17
Dr Edward Richard Walker		2019-01-19
Dr Elizabeth Mary Williamson		2024-01-19
Mark Antony Richardson		2018-01-19
Robert Geoffrey Silverwood		2025-01-17

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
From	06	Apr	2024	To	05	Apr	2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

KESCRG

Other names charity is known by

Kescrg Canal Restoration Group

Registered charity number (if any)

1165205

Charity's principal address

Unit 16B First Floor
 Chiltern Court, Asheridge Road
 Chesham
Postcode HP5 2PX

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	Elizabeth Williamson			
2	Mark Richardson			
3	Edward Walker		To 19 th Jan 2025	
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5	Stephen Davis			
6	Adrian Crow			
7	Robert Silverwood		From 19 th Jan 2025	
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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

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

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Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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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)

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The work parties contributed to 5 projects on 3 different navigations, with the objective of furthering the restoration and maintenance of the canals, providing long-term improved environmental and recreational resources for the general public.

We confirm the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

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.

Over the course of the reporting period KESCRG coordinated and contributed to 11 weekend working parties, and a week-long summer Canal Camp working holiday on behalf of the Waterway Recovery Group.

Volunteer engagement for weekends is typically 10-15 volunteers and drawing from a pool of around 30 individuals. In total over the year we have provided around 2500 volunteer-hours to the various canal restoration projects.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The Working parties were as follows:

- 13/14th April 2024 – Wey and Arun Canal. Bank protection work above Southlands lock
- 11/12th May 2024 – Cotswold Canals, brick work at Dock Lock and John Robinson lock.
- 8th/9th June 2024 – Cotswold Canals, Weymoor bridge stream diversion and preparations for WRG summer camp
- 7th – 14th July 2024 – Wey and Arun Canal, WRG Summer camp. Towpath and Bridleway upgrade and restoration at Bonfire Hanger
- 17th/18th August 2024 - Wey and Arun Canal, with NWPG and local volunteers, completing works on Bonfire Handler towpath
- 7th – 9th Sept 2024 – Cotswold Canals, Weymoor bridge long weekend with LondonWRG casting concrete walls for aqueduct trough over brook
- 5th/6th October 2024 – Cotswold Canals, removing scaffolding from Blunder Lock and relocating to Pike Lock west of Stroud
- 2nd/3rd November 2024 – Wey and Arun, joint with London WRG & WRG Forestry, felling and clearing trees affected by Ash Dieback below Brewhurst Lock
- 7th / 8th December 2024 – Wey and Arun, joint with London WRG & WRG Forestry, felling and clearing trees affected by Ash Dieback below Brewhurst Lock
- 25th/26th January 2025 – Cotswold Canals, joint with London WRG & Forestry, clearing scrub on the offside from Newtown to Pike locks west of Stroud
- 1st/2nd March 2025 – Cotswold Canals, carpark gabions at Pike Lock and scrub clearance on the offside at Blunder lock
- 5th/6th April 2025 – Lichfield and Hatherton Canals, joint with London WRG, towpath work

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

KESCRG maintains a reserve sufficient to cover insurance for its operations for 1 year

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
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KESCRG's principal sources of funding for this period were contributions towards subsistence from volunteers on working parties, and a contribution from our associated 100 club.

KESCRG's principal out going is the Insurance required to support our activities on construction sites and to protect our equipment, and providing food for our volunteers on dig weekends.

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Other optional information

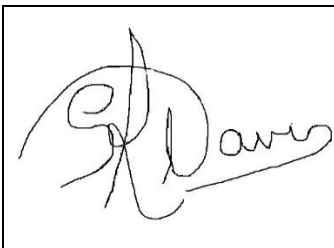
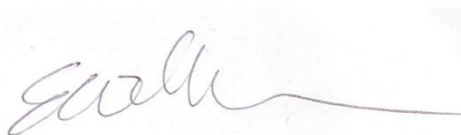
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Section G

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)	Stephen Davis	Elizabeth Williamson
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	Trustee
Date	30 Nov 2025	



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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	6-Apr-24	To	5-Apr-25
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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 £
A1 Receipts				
Donations	3	-	-	3
100 Club	800	-	-	800
Contributions from volunteers towards food costs	803	-	-	803
Sale of assets	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	1,606	-	-	1,606
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	1,606	-	-	1,606
A3 Payments				
Food and refreshments for volunteers	667	-	-	667
Insurance	821	-	-	821
Fuel	80	-	-	80
Tools and equipment	32	-	-	32
Subscriptions	73	-	-	73
First Aid	129	-	-	129
Publicity and website	134	-	-	134
Other	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,936	-	-	1,936
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,936	-	-	1,936
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 330	-	-	- 330
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	7,690	-	-	7,690
Cash funds this year end	7,360	-	-	7,360

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds 6912	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cast at bank	7,360	-
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	Total cash funds	7,360	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name
#VALUE!	Stephen Davis

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Last year

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1,122
759
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73
169
2,223

-

2,223

778
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6,912
7,690



Endowment funds

to nearest £

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Endowment funds

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Date of approval

30-Nov-25

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- The Friends of the Cromford Canal (charity 1164608)

The work parties contributed to 5 projects on 4 different navigations, with the objective of furthering the restoration and maintenance of the canals, providing long-term improved environmental and recreational resources for the general public.

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Over the course of the reporting period KESCRG coordinated 6 weekend working parties, including a 5-day extended working party on the Cromford Canal Beggerlee extension project providing specialist skills and experience to complete drainage and culvert works on the site before a statutory deadline, and a week-long summer Canal Camp working holiday on behalf of the Waterway Recovery Group. We also provided skilled volunteers to assist with the 'Drive a Digger' experience for young people at the Surrey Hills Wood Fair.

Volunteer engagement for weekends is recovering and approaching pre-covid levels, typically attracting 10-15 volunteers and drawing from a pool of around 30 individuals. In total over the year we have provided around 2000 volunteer-hours to the various canal restoration projects.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The Working parties were as follows:

- 13/14th May 2023 – Wendover Arm. This working party was cancelled at short notice due to work permissions on the local project
- 10/11th June 2023 – Lichfield Canal, joint weekend with London WRG. Towpath and ducting work at Darnford Moors Ecology Park.
- 15th – 22nd July 2023 – Cotswold Canals, WRG Summer camp. Construction work on the restoration of Westfield/John Robinson Lock west of Stroud.
- 1st - 5th Sept 2023 – Cromford Canal, drainage and culvert works on the Beggerlee extension project
- 9th Sept 2023 – Assistance with the Wey and Arun 'Drive a Digger' experience for young people at the Surrey Hills Wood Fair, raising awareness of the Canal Restoration project.
- 7/8th Oct 2023 – Cotswold Canals, construction work on the restoration of Westfield / John Robinson lock west of Stroud.
- 2nd/3rd Dec 2023 – Wey and Arun, joint with London WRG & WRG Forestry, clearing scrub and hedging to allow access to trees affected by Ash Dieback below Brewhurst Lock
- 3rd/4th Feb 2024 – Wey and Arun, scrub clearance below Devils Hole Lock
- 2nd/3rd March 2024 – John Robinson Lock on the Cotswolds Canals west of Stroud. Removal of trees from brook in preparation for installation of culvert under lock forebay

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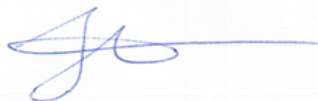
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The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Ian Williamson

Edward Walker

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Trustee

Trustee

Date

1st December 2024



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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	6-Apr-23	To	5-Apr-24
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Section A Receipts and payments

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A1 Receipts				
Donations	35	-	-	35
100 Club	1,000	-	-	1,000
Contributions from volunteers towards food costs	1,666	-	-	1,666
Sale of assets	300	-	-	300
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	3,001	-	-	3,001
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	3,001	-	-	3,001
A3 Payments				
Food and refreshments for volunteers	1,122	-	-	1,122
Insurance	759	-	-	759
Fuel	100	-	-	100
Tools and equipment		-	-	-
Subscriptions	73	-	-	73
Goods purchased for resale		-	-	-
Publicity and website	169	-	-	169
Other		-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,223	-	-	2,223
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	2,223	-	-	2,223
Net of receipts/(payments)	778	-	-	778
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	6,912	-	-	6,912
Cash funds this year end	7,690	-	-	7,690

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

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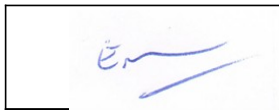
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B3 Investment assets			-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name
	Edward Walker

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'I. Williamson', enclosed in a black rectangular box.

Ian Williamson

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Last year

to the nearest £

962
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Endowment funds

to nearest £

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Endowment funds

to nearest £

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When due (optional)

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1st December 2024

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- The Wey and Arun Canal Trust (charity 265331)
- The Wendover Canal Trust (charity 801190)
- The Canal and Rivers Trust (charity 1146792)
- The Herefordshire and Gloucestershire Canal Trust (charity 1010721)
- The Waterway Recovery Group, a subsidiary of The Inland Waterways Association (charity 212342)
- The Cotswold Canals Trust (charity 269721)
- The Shrewsbury and Newport Canals Trust (charity 1088706)

The work parties contributed to 5 projects on 5 different navigations, with the objective of furthering the restoration and maintenance of the canals, providing long-term improved environmental and recreational resources for the general public.

We confirm the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

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.

Over the course of the reporting period KESCRG coordinated 8 weekend working parties and a week-long summer Canal Camp working holiday on behalf of the Waterway Recovery Group. We also provided skilled volunteers to assist with the 'Drive a Digger' experience for young people at the Surrey Hills Wood Fair.

Volunteer engagement for weekends is still below pre-covid levels, and consequently several of the weekends were held in conjunction with the London WRG and WRG Forestry groups to ensure the working parties were viable. The summer camp was curtailed due to several volunteers testing positive for Covid part way through the week.

However the contribution that our volunteers are able to make to the various canal restoration projects is extremely valuable due to the skills and experience we are able to draw upon.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The Working parties were as follows:

- 14/15th May 2022 – Wendover Arm, joint with London WRG. Investigating leakage at Whitehouses overflow weir, and earthworks at Little Tring.
- 11/12th June 2022 – Hereford and Gloucester, preparation works for 3 weeks of WRG Summer camps - culvert installation.
- 2nd-9th July 2022 – Hereford and Gloucester WRG Summer camp, completing installation of culvert and stream diversion for canal reinstatement at Malswick. This camp was curtailed to 4 days due to a Covid outbreak among the volunteers.
- 10/11th Sept 2022 – Assistance with the Wey and Arun 'Drive a Digger' experience for young people at the Surrey Hills Wood Fair, raising awareness of the Canal Restoration project.
- 1/2nd Oct 2022 – Wey and Arun, joint with WRG Forestry, clearing trees affected by Ash Dieback around Drungewick
- 5/6th Nov 2022 – Wey and Arun, joint with WRG Forestry, clearing trees affected by Ash Dieback around Drungewick
- 26/27th Nov 2022 – Wey and Arun, joint with London WRG & WRG Forestry, clearing trees affected by Ash Dieback around Drungewick
- 4/5th Feb – John Robinson lock on the Cotswolds Canals west of Stroud. Site clearance and lock excavation
- 4/5th March – John Robinson Lock on the Cotswolds Canals west of Stroud. Continued lock excavation, preparation of compound and relocation of Coping Stones to facilitate rebuilding work planned for the summer.
- 25/26th March – Shrewsbury and Newport, joint with London WRG and WRG Forestry. Scrub clearance around Uffington.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

KESCRG maintains a reserve sufficient to cover insurance for its operations for 1 year

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.

KESCRG's principal sources of funding for this period were contributions towards subsistence from volunteers on working parties.

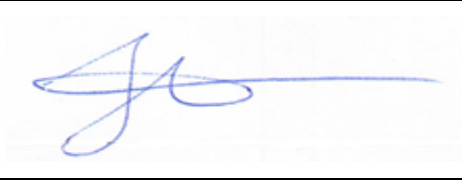

KESCRG's principal out going is the Insurance required to support our activities on construction sites and to protect our equipment.

Section F Other optional information

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)	Ian Williamson	Edward Walker
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	Trustee
Date	19 November 2023	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	06-Apr-22	To	05-Apr-23
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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		-	-	-	
IWA raffle - share of proceeds		-	-	-	
100 Club		-	-	-	
costs	962	-	-	962	394
Sale of assets		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	962	-	-	962	394
(see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	962	-	-	962	394
A3 Payments					
Food and refreshments for volunteers	680	-	-	680	316
Insurance	782	-	-	782	747
Fuel	94	-	-	94	
Tools and equipment	38	-	-	38	105
Subscriptions	69	-	-	69	54
Goods purchased for resale		-	-	-	
Publicity and website		-	-	-	262
Other	169	-	-	169	95
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,832	-	-	1,832	1,579
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,832	-	-	1,832	1,579
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 870	-	-	- 870	- 1,185
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	7,782	-	-	7,782	8,967
Cash funds this year end	6,912	-	-	6,912	7,782

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds 6912	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cast at bank	6,912	-	
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	6,912	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK



Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Ian Williamson	19-Nov-23
	Edward Walker	19-Nov-23

KESCRG

England & Wales - Charity number 1165205

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date				Period end date	
From	06	Apr	2020	To	05	Apr	2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

Island House
Moor Road
Chesham
Postcode HP5 1WA

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	Roy Sutton			
2	Mark Richardson			
3	Edward Walker			
4	Ian Williamson			
5	Stephen Davis			
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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

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitably Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. 	<p>Organisation: KESCRG exists to coordinate volunteer working parties to aid Canal restoration projects generally but not exclusively around the south of England. These working parties run broadly one weekend a month. The working parties are organised by the KESCRG working Committee, drawn from the body of volunteers, which comprises both trustees and non-trustees. Our body of volunteers is around 40 individuals over the year, with each working party attracting 10-20 people.</p> <p>Relationships: KESCRG works closely other canal charities and trusts to coordinate and identify opportunities to contribute voluntary effort to suitable restoration projects.</p> <p>Risks: KESCRG volunteers work on construction sites, consequently KESCRG operates a full Health and Safety Policy including Risk Assessments and Method Statements covering our operations.</p>
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Section C Objectives and activities

<p>Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document</p>	<p>To promote the restoration, conservation, maintenance and protection of canals and waterways within the UK for the use and benefit of the public in particular but not exclusively through the provision of work parties and voluntary labour to undertake physical restoration and maintenance in conjunction with waterways societies and other organisations.</p>
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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)

In this period KESCRG were unable to organise any weekend working parties due to the Covid-19 situation. We were able to organise a single day in December working with the Wilts and Berks Canal Trust (charity 2267719), maintaining the canal towpath as a public amenity in the Wantage area.

We confirm the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

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.

Due to the Covid-19 lockdown, Kesrcrg were unable to run any residential working parties during the reporting period. We were able to organise a single day on the Wilts and Berks canal in December 2020, installing a safety fence alongside a collapsing wharf wall on the towpath to improve the safety of the area for the general public.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The Working party was as follows:

5th December 2020, Fence installation near Wantage on the Wilts and Berks canal to protect members of the public walking the towpath from a collapsing wharf wall.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

KESCRG maintains a reserve sufficient to cover insurance for its operations for 1 year

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.

KESCRG's principal sources of funding for this period was a contribution from the 100 Club associated with the group.

KESCRG's principal out going is the Insurance required to support our activities on construction sites and to protect our equipment.

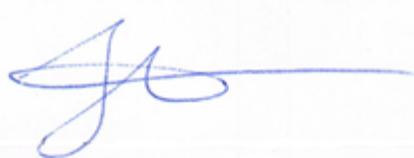

Section F Other optional information

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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)	Ian Williamson	Edward Walker
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	Trustee
Date	28 th September 2021	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Kescrg 1165205

Receipts and payments accounts


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For the period from 06-Apr-20 To 05-Apr-21

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		-	-	-	
IWA raffle - share of proceeds		-	-	-	
100 Club	2,000	-	-	2,000	
Contributions from volunteers towards food costs		-	-	-	1,737
Sale of assets		-	-	-	1,050
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	2,000	-	-	2,000	2,787
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	2,000	-	-	2,000	2,787
A3 Payments					
Food and refreshments for volunteers		-	-	-	1,282
Insurance	749	-	-	749	735
Fuel		-	-	-	134
Tools and equipment		-	-	-	325
Subscriptions	54	-	-	54	54
Goods purchased for resale		-	-	-	
Publicity and website		-	-	-	79
Other	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	803	-	-	803	2,609
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	803	-	-	803	2,609
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,197	-	-	1,197	178
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	7,770	-	-	7,770	7,592
Cash funds this year end	8,967	-	-	8,967	7,770

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	Cast at bank	8,967	-	
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	8,967	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Stephen Davis	28th Sept 2021	