



## **Annual Report for the financial year 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

### **Introduction**

The Lea Brook Valley CIO is a registered charity (number 1172290)

The current trustees are:

- Dr Anthony Noble Bethell Mbe
- Bold, Rev Peter Edward
- Rev David Walker (Chair)
- Debbie Alston
- Hannah May Pearson (Treasurer)
- Cllr Mark David Foster
- Wendy Mary Temple

### **Purpose and Main Activities of the Charity**

PROMOTE THE CONSERVATION, PROTECTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE PHYSICAL AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT INCLUDING BIODIVERSITY OF LEA BROOK VALLEY.

ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN THE CONSERVATION, PROTECTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE PHYSICAL AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT INCLUDING BIODIVERSITY OF LEA BROOK VALLEY.

### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The governing document of the Charity is a constitution which was last amended on the 29th March 2017 and reviewed 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023.

As a small charity, there has hitherto been no need for a formal structure, although this may change as the work of the Charity expands. The trustees meet twice a year to transact the business of the Charity. There is also frequent contact between trustees by email and phone calls. A number of trustees attend the Lea Brook Valley Green Team meetings which enables due diligence to be carried out on how funds sent to LBV Green Team Projects are spent, there is also regular contact with other Lea Brook Valley Green team members through CTDD.



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### **Financial Policies and Financial Review**

The Charity has set aside 5% of all general fund receipts into a general fund account to meet expenses. At the 31st of March 2024 the accumulated general Fund amounted to £23831, this takes into account restricted funds.

During the financial year under review, the Charity has not held any funds as custodian trustee for others.

The charity continues to keep up to date with its responsibilities and current financial controls.

### **Achievement and Performance**

The charity continues to operate and is heavily supported by local residents and a group of strong volunteers.

It continues to maintain the site and enhance the BNG. Studies with the university continue in regards to reduction in surface water pollution runoff and Typha / phragmites. These findings were published and showcased at the 2023 Urban Drainage Conference held in Birmingham. 2024 saw how this fluctuated through varying climate change.

The viewing platforms continue to allow pedestrians to connect with the site without encroaching on the natural habitats, thus protecting the biodiversity of the site and its four buffer zones.

Woodland Walk and outdoor educational facility, located at the rear of Dronfield Civic Centre is developing well and used extensively since its installation in 2023.

Maintenance was prioritised at the wetland / attenuation ponds, this was aimed at managing water flow, improving water quality and enhancing the biodiversity. Total spend on Wetland maintenance for the year was £2644



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**Future planned projects TBC.**

<b>Restricted Funds for Project</b>	
BNG Assessment	£3000.00 ongoing
Junior Environmental Ecologist “Apprentice”	£9235.00 ongoing
Sensory Garden Maintenance	£1000.00 ongoing

All projects carried out in the Lea Brook Valley enhance the Social Capital value of the Lea Brook Valley and the wider community of Dronfield. The trustees continue to have due regard for their duty to comply with guidance of the Charity Commission on public benefit in the exercise of their powers or duties.

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Revd Dave Walker

Chair of Lea Brook Valley CIO  
27<sup>th</sup> January 2024



**Lea Brook Valley CIO**  
**Annual Accounts**

**Registered Charity No 1172290**

**April 2023 – March 2024**

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**Notes to the accounts:**

The charity is in a good financial position and continues to exist for the benefit of the residents of the local area.

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## Profit & Loss

### April 2023 through March 2024

	<u>Apr '23 - Mar...</u>
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
Income	
Grants	468.68
Lease Income	4,616.17
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<b>Total Income</b>	5,084.85
Expense	
Insurance Expense	250.59
Purchases	285.87
Repairs and Maintena...	2,644.24
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<b>Total Expense</b>	3,180.70
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<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	1,904.15
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<b>Profit for the Year</b>	<b>1,904.15</b>
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# Lea Brook Valley CIO

## UK Balance Sheet - Standard

As of 5 April 2024

	<u>5 Apr 24</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>Current Assets</b>	
Cash at bank and in hand	
Lloyds Treasurers Acc 17869968	23,831.41
<b>Total Cash at bank and in hand</b>	<u>23,831.41</u>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	23,831.41
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<u>23,831.41</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABI...</b>	<u>23,831.41</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<u><b>23,831.41</b></u>
<b>Capital and Reserves</b>	
Funds	9,952.39
Unrestricted Net Assets	<u>13,879.02</u>
	<u><b>23,831.41</b></u>

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and to prepared accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met, or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

**Bank:**

Lloyds Bank plc Uttoxeter (309890) Branch