

# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date:

Period end date:

From 01 April 2022

To 31 March 2023

## Section A

## Reference and administration details

Charity name: The Friends of Avon Meadows CIO

Other names charity is known by:

Registered charity number (if any): 1174083

Charity's principal address: 20 Loughmill Road

Pershire

Worcestershire

Postcode

WR10 1QB

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	Mr. R.D.E. Stott	Chairman		
2	Mrs. V. Wood	Secretary		
3	Mr. R.J. Gillmer	Treasurer		
4	Mr. T. Hutton			
5	Mr. O. Tucker			
6	Mrs. S. Comely			
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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
none		

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:

Constitution

How the charity is constituted:

CIO

Trustee selection methods:

Elected by members

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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## Section C Objectives and activities

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

- (1) To promote the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment of Avon Meadows Community Wetland and Local Nature Reserve, Pershore, Worcestershire.
- (2) To advance education in the principles and practices of conservation and promoting, encouraging and carrying out study and research.
- (3) To provide or assist in the provision of facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disability; financial hardship or social circumstances or for the public at large.

**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):**

Organise volunteer work parties on the Reserve, providing training as required, to maintain and improve the ecological and amenity value of the site.

Organise volunteer citizen science biological recording sessions, providing formal and informal training in identification of species of flora and fauna.

Hold public engagement activities on the site.

Facilitate school site visits and formal education activities.

#### **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.

**Summary of the main  
achievements of the charity  
during the year**

Raised voluntary donations of £695

Site activities were severely curtailed by restrictions resulting from the Covid-19 pandemic.

On-going Meadow Arts Project continued through the year



**Section E****Financial review**

**Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

Maintain adequate funds to meet 12 months budget expenditure.

**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.

**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)**

Richard David Eden Stott

Robert James Gillmor

**Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)**

Chair

Treasurer

**Date**

19th December 2023



## Receipts and Payments Account 2022 - 2023

£	£		£
2020-21	2021-22	Receipts	2022-23
250.00	0.00	Pershore Town Council Grant	0.00
250.00	0.00	Pershore Rotary donation	0.00
1985.00	880.00	Members' donations	555.00
0.00	750.00	Dipping Platform donations	0.00
0.00	700.00	Worcestershire County Council grant (1)	0.00
0.00	1.00	Sundry donations	140.00
<b>2485.00</b>	<b>2331.00</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>695.00</b>
<b>Payments</b>			
515.74	515.74	Insurance Premium	515.74
0.00	799.79	Plug plants (funded by Worcs. County Council) (1)	0.00
0.00	0.00	Dipping Platform	1964.00
0.00	66.04	Notice Boards	0.00
22.94	1113.23	Machinery Servicing and Repairs	658.23
198.56	347.99	Work Party supplies	91.66
29.35	67.19	Conservation and Recording project costs	0.00
32.93	1116.78	Stationery, postage and administration	0.00
<b>794.52</b>	<b>2026.76</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>3229.63</b>
<b>1690.48</b>	<b>304.24</b>	<b>Surplus/Deficit for the year</b>	<b>-2534.63</b>

### Note to the accounts

WCC Grant specifically for wild flower planting - actual cost slightly more than grant amount.  
Dipping platform payment to Wyck Avon DC from donations in previous years.

Prepared from the Books of Account and supporting vouchers supplied by Officers of the Group.

Approved by Committee R. D. E. Stott (Hon. Chairman)

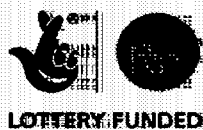
R. J. Gillmor (Hon. Treasurer)

Date:

*[Signature]*  
*[Signature]*  
15<sup>th</sup> June 2023

### ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

I have examined the attached accounts for the year to 31st March 2023 and confirm that they are in accordance with the records and information supplied to me:



Peter Dahn FCA  
Chartered Accountant

Date:

*[Signature]*  
15 June 2023

### BALANCES at 31st March 2023

£ 2020-21	£ 2021-22		£ 2022-23
0.00	0.00	Restricted Funds	0.00
3819.14	4740.14	Designated Funds (1):	2655.14
1682.47	1065.71	Unrestricted Funds	616.08
5501.61	5805.85	Represented by: Bank Account	3271.22
0.00	0.00	Cash in Hand	0.00
<b>5501.61</b>	<b>5805.85</b>	<b>Total of restricted and unrestricted funds:</b>	<b>3271.22</b>
<b>1690.48</b>	<b>304.24</b>	Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<b>-2534.63</b>
3811.13	5501.61	Opening balance	5805.85
<b>5501.61</b>	<b>5805.85</b>	Closing balance:	<b>3271.22</b>

#### Notes to the Balance Sheet

1. Designated funds are Machinery Reserve £414.93, Dipping Platform Fund £750.00 and Life Memberships Reserve £1490.21
2. The Friends own equipment funded by Awards for All which cost £1992.84 in 2011-12 and £4506.98 in 2013-14; funded by Welcome to our Future £3784.41 in 2015-16.  
No value is shown in the accounts as it may not be sold without the donors' consent!