



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From

Period start date

To

Period end date

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2021

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2022

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name



Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1177246

Charity's principal address

C/O FOREST OF BOWLAND AONB
KETTLEDROM, 6 Root Hill Estate Yard

Whitewell Road, Dunsop Bridge

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Postcode BB7 3AY

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)

Michael Pugh
Chair

1

Stephen Mark Sutcliffe
Trustee

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William Bowland
Trustee

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Margaret Wright
Trustee

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Nicholas Graham Renton Hunt

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Trustee

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Paul Christian Reynolds
Trustee

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Brenda Kathryn McLoughlin
Trustee

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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)

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity’s trusts

Constitution

CIO Association

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

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.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

TO PROMOTE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC THE CONSERVATION PROTECTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE PHYSICAL AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT OF THE FOREST OF BOWLAND AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN THE CONSERVATION, PROTECTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE PHYSICAL AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

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)

Trustees ensure that public benefits are fully met when awarding grants or financial support.

Champion Bowland makes grants to Individuals; to community organisations; provides other finance; provides advocacy/advice/information; all of which must meet the charity's objectives

Fund raising for grants is principally via visitor giving; donations from businesses, organisations and individuals in the Forest of Bowland AONB; donations from attendees at Champion Bowland associated events

Promoting Champion Bowland Small Grants scheme via www.championbowland.org.uk and social media

Supporting destination website set up with Champion Bowland support via a National Heritage Lottery Fund grant - www.discoverbowland.uk that promotes the Forest of Bowland

Grant giving in the Forest of Bowland AONB for environment/conservation/heritage.

Supports and helps promote the Lord Bowland Annual Lecture; organising and promoting Lord Bowland annual perambulation on a section of the ancient Forest of Bowland boundary.

Presenting Champion Bowland plaques to recipients of Small Grants to raise awareness and community involvement.

Badge boxes at businesses, such as tourism venues and accommodation – badges are currently Forest of Bowland locator badges

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.

Section D

Achievements and performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Grants of up to £750 awarded to community projects :

- Thornley Community Space - second grant towards renovation of iconic former rural village school that volunteers are restoring into a community hub and visitor information base.
- Slaidburn Archive production of book on the history of Bashall Eaves
- Trees for new burial ground in the remote rural community of Keasden

Support of the first Perambulation of the ancient Forest of Bowland boundary

Re-booting profile of Champion Bowland, post-Covid, via social media

2021-2022 was recovery year after Covid restrictions closed fund raising opportunities and grant applications. Few grant applications were received during the year. Visitor giving was at a low level too.

Organisation and management of the first Lord Bowland Perambulation on part of the ancient Forest of Bowland boundary

Support of Lord of Bowland annual lecture

Launch of plaques awards for Small Grants scheme beneficiaries

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves are rolled over to the following financial year.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

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.

Champion Bowland also administers restricted funds on behalf of not-for-profit organisations associated with the Forest of Bowland AONB. These are included in the 2021-2022 annual financial report:

- Outdoor Learning Transport Fund that helps towards travel costs for school children and young people's community groups visiting the Forest of Bowland AONB
- Hay meadows project
- Pendle Hill Legacy Fund, set up to provide continuity after the end of the four year, National Lottery Heritage Fund supported Pendle Hill Landscape Partnership scheme, in October 2022
- Myers*
- Access*
- These are for specific projects generated by the AONB

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)

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Date

Champion Bowland
PROFIT & LOSS REPORT

Accounts 2021-22- Year ending 31st July 2022

Income	RESTRICTED Income £	UNRESTRICTED Income £	Total Income £
Outdoor Learning Transport Fund	2500.00	0.00	2500.00
Haytime	2770.02	0.00	2770.02
Pendle Hill Legacy	3300.00	0.00	3300.00
Discover Bowland membership 2021-22	0.00	2068.00	2068.00
Discover Bowland membership 2022-23	0.00	1950.00	1950.00
Donations - Local Giving	0.00	887.84	887.84
Donations - Badge Box	0.00	308.38	308.38
Donations - Other	0.00	649.51	649.51
Misc Income	0.00	63.31	63.31
Total Income	8570.02	5927.04	14497.06

Expenses	RESTRICTED Expenses £	UNRESTRICTED Expenses £	Total Expenses £
Outdoor Learning Transport Fund	2272.50	0.00	2272.50
Haytime	670.30	0.00	670.30
Discover Bowland	0.00	2442.02	2442.02
Small Grants	0.00	1969.00	1969.00
Salar Perambulation	0.00	138.00	138.00
Slaidburn Archive [Lecture]	0.00	223.30	223.30
MJP Hdrive	0.00	65.89	65.89
one.com	0.00	202.62	202.62
SB stamps	0.00	19.80	19.80
RV Trampler service	0.00	324.00	324.00
Total Expenses	2942.80	5384.63	8327.43
Surplus/(Loss)	5627.22	542.41	6106.32

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BALANCE SHEET REPORT
as at 31st July 2022

	£	£
RESTRICTED FUNDS	2021-22	2020-21
Outdoor Learning Transport Fund	2,248.50	2,021.00
Haytime	2,870.02	770.30
Pendle Hill Legacy	5,975.55	2,675.55
Access [R Gray]	467.84	467.84
Myers	469.84	469.84
Heritage Lottery	1,610.00	1,610.00
Total RESTRICTED FUNDS	13,641.75	8,014.53
 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS		
Total UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	7,554.07	7,011.66
 Total Funds	 21,195.82	 15,026.19

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of

Champion Bowland CIO 1177246

I report on the accounts for the year

1st August 2021 – 31st July 2022

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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 prepare 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.



Shweta Pankhadiwala

C/o Lancaster District CVS, The Cornerstone Sulyard Street Lancaster LA1 1PX

7th March 2023.