



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **01.04.2024** Period start date To **31.03.2025** Period end date

Charity name: **Arun Countryside Trust CIO**

Charity registration number: **1180078**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To promote the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment and promote biological diversity in the parishes of Walberton and Arundel and the neighbourhood (the area of benefit) and more generally in the district of Arun and in the county of West Sussex. To promote public understanding and enjoyment of the physical and natural environment and cultural heritage of the area of benefit for current and future generations.
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.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	During this accounts period the charity has seen no activity due to lack of available volunteer time. The expenditure in the accounts for the year is purely website and insurance cost, met by donations given by a trustee for that purpose.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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.	Para 1.20	The primary driver of volunteer activity in the charity was to understand and protect, conserve and enhance local communities' valued countryside in the Arun area, particularly in the context of the threat to it from National Highways' A27 Arundel Bypass proposals. Volunteers and trustees are coming to the view following its cancellation that the objectives of the charity in this respect have been sufficiently achieved.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		Volunteers have shifted their commitment to other local environmental initiatives concentrating more on residential areas and their immediate surrounds such as Greening Arundel. Arun Countryside Trust trustees agreed in January 2025 to transfer remaining funds to a Sussex Wildlife Trust account for similar purposes, close the bank account and seek closure of the CIO.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	See the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	To hold enough in reserves to continue acting for two years: however, this intention is under review, see previous page.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£545
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Not applicable
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Not applicable
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
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	Para 1.25	By existing trustees

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Arun Countryside Trust CIO
Other name the charity uses	Arun Countryside Trust, MAVES
Registered charity number	1180078
Charity's principal address	Byne Cottage Manley's Hill Storrington Pulborough RH20 4BN

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	Tony Whitbread			
2	William Martin Treves			
3	Michael Guy Tristram			
4	Julia Caroline Plumstead			
5	Camilla Judith Lambert	Chair		
6	Caroline Linda Powell			
7	David William Macpherson			
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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	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	Not applicable
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	Not applicable

Additional information (optional)

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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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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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)	Michael Guy Tristram	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	15.12.2025	



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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/04/2024

To

31/03/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations from individuals	526	-	-	526	547
Donations from businesses	-	-	-	-	-
Events fundraising	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	526	-	-	526	547
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	526	-	-	526	547
A3 Payments					
Membership fees & subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance	126	-	-	126	157
Consultant ecologist	-	-	-	-	-
Survey fees: bats	-	-	-	-	-
Survey fees: other	-	-	-	-	-
Event costs	-	-	-	-	-
Website & IT costs	390	-	-	390	390
Room hire	-	-	-	-	-
Dormouse project costs	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	516	-	-	516	547
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	516	-	-	516	547
Net of receipts/(payments)	10	0	0	10	0
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	535	-	-	535	535
Cash funds this year end	545	-	-	545	545

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		535	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	535	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				

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

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

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

Mike Tristram

Julia Plumstead

Print Name

Mike Tristram

Julia Plumstead

Date of approval

4/9/25

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