

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	April	2021		31	March	2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Initiative for Nature Conservation Cymru

Other names charity is known by INCC

Registered charity number (if any) 1180113

Charity's principal address

Initiative for Nature Conservation Cymru
 Science Centre
 National Botanic Gardens of Wales
 Llanarthne
 Carmarthenshire
Postcode SA32 8HG

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 Chadwick	Chair		
2	Carys Solman	Treasurer		
3	Lyndsey Maiden	Secretary		
4	Rose Revera	Trustee		
5	Julian Jones	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)

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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)	CIO
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected and appointed by serving trustees

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

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)

To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation protection and improvement of the natural environment of Wales in such ways as the trustees think fit and including by advocacy, carrying out research and publishing the useful results thereof and promoting biodiversity. To advance the education of the public in the conservation, protection and improvement of the natural environment of Wales by providing information and through raising awareness. and nature conservation action, and campaigning.

The Trustees of INCC are aware of their legal requirement under the Charities Act to have regard to the commission's public benefit guidance (PB1, PB2 and PB3). Furthermore INCC Trustees have taken the guidance into account when making a decision to which the guidance is relevant.

We are promoting the benefit of the public the conservation protection and improvement of the natural environment of Wales in a number of ways, both practically on the ground and through the publication and distribution of the ecological magazine Natur Cymru, whose soul focus is nature and protection of wildlife and habitats in Wales as well as online and in person.

Natur Cymru magazine is already well respected already by many in the conservation movement and the decision of its trustees to hand control of the magazine to INCC in Jan 21 was seen as a real opportunity by the charity to further the charitable objects of the organisation. The magazine has been an important outreach and advocacy tool for INCC already. With three editions published, it has continued its role as an important vehicle to share and promote information and evidence from across the sector in Wales.

Over the past 12 months INCC has:

- ☐ Delivered 12 educational talks
- ☐ Worked with 40 volunteers
- ☐ Worked with 31 landowners
- ☐ Delivered 4 school/children's group conservation activities
- ☐ Delivered 28 volunteer events
- ☐ Delivered 2 training days
- ☐ Written 7 articles
- ☐ Written 5 press releases
- ☐ Given 5 radio interviews / segments
- ☐ Given 3 TV interviews / segments

We are advancing the education of the public in a number of projects for example the charity has worked closely with communities such as the volunteers on Llantrisant Common, where local people have been involved in the repopulation of the Common with the Marsh Fritillary butterfly. Staff at Pencoed College as well as people from all around the area learnt skills around biodiversity, habitat management and research skills. The involvement of the Botanic Garden of Wales in the project has allowed us to promote this work further. The release of the butterflies was aided by INCC volunteers, Pencoed College, members of Llantrisant Town Trust, local ecologists, and staff

from NRW.

Our online presence is very active through our website, Twitter and Facebook for INCC and Natur Cymru attracting attention within the wider public.

Website visits April 2021 - March 2022

4.6K visits with 16k views

INCC Twitter (April 2021 - March 2022)

- 167 tweets
- 301,100 impressions
- 465 new followers

INCC Facebook (April 2020 - 2021)

- 697 likes
- 792 follows
- 55 posts

Natur Cymru Magazine Twitter (April 2021 - March 2022)

- 139 tweets
- 114,258 impressions
- 294 new followers

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

Despite the difficulties and uncertainties posed by the pandemic over the past 12 months, INCC has been able to make a great deal of progress toward several of its core projects and activities.

Most notable achievements have been the continued success of *Natur Cymru* and the ongoing support and positive feedback that it enjoys. In September, marsh fritillary caterpillars were returned to Llantrisant Common for the first time in over 20 years. We have many more years to go, but it has been the best possible start to our population reinforcement project. Challenging environmental decision makers to do more for wildlife and nature conservation in Wales is at the heart of what we do.

Our campaigns have been very well received, resulting in positive public reaction and good outcomes for wildlife.

Three core campaigns have been

- ☐ NRW's Biodiversity Remit - Petition
- ☐ Right Tree in the Right Place
- ☐ Fair Pay for Fair Work

We have also been involved in a variety of on the ground projects which have engaged a wide ranging audience from many backgrounds. For example the Dyffryn Tywi Project which in conjunction with the National Botanic Garden of Wales has been very successful in terms of increasing awareness, restoration and management of local wildflower meadows in the area. In the Amman Valley landscape project one of the lovely successes has been being able to buy moth traps for volunteers to use and gain a wealth of knowledge through direct experience, this is one tiny aspect of this project which has seen hundreds of nest boxes made and installed, otter holts created and much more all increasing the knowledge and engagement of local people.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

It is INCC policy to retain financial reserves totalling 6 months staff costs, plus adequate funds for production of 1 issue of Natur Cymru magazine. These reserves are held so that INCC has the means with which to deliver on grant and supporter promises in the event of a planned closure.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

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)	Carys Solman	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date		



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Initiative for Nature Conservation Cymru

No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/04/2021

To

31/03/2022

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					
Supporter Scheme & NC Magazine	20,711		-	20,711	14,235
Donations	1,080	469	-	1,549	16,145
Consultancy services	23,515			23,515	3,425
Grants		4,479	-	4,479	31,849
Other	17	395	-	412	480
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	45,323	5,343	-	50,666	66,134
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	45,323	5,343	-	50,666	66,134
A3 Payments					
Core costs	9,478	-	-	9,478	7,794
Supporter Scheme & NC Magazine	9,000	-	-	9,000	-
Grant and donation expenditure	-	32,642	-	32,642	22,501
Services provided	4,466	-	-	4,466	-
Contractors	-	-	-	-	2,500
Project expenditure	-	-	-	-	4,765
Other	-	-	-	-	468
Sub total	22,944	32,642	-	55,586	38,028
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	22,944	32,642	-	55,586	38,028
Net of receipts/(payments)	22,379	- 27,299	-	- 4,920	28,106
A5 Transfers between funds			-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	19,897	34,870	-	54,767	26,661
Cash funds this year end	42,276	7,571	-	49,847	54,767

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	Restricted Funds		7,571	-
	Core Funds	20,410	-	-
	Reserves	21,866	-	-
	Total cash funds	42,276	7,571	-
	(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)
	Polytunnel	Awards for All	-	-
	1 Laptop and Software	Waterloo Foundation	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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
			Carys Solman	10/06/2022
			Elizabeth Chadwick	10/06/2022



CHARITY COMMISSION
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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

Initiative for Nature Conservation Cymru

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2022

Charity no
(if any)

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2022.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

6 . 10 . 2022

Name:

PETER EVANS LEA

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

ICAEW

Address:

Linden House, Monk Street, Abergavenny, NP7 5NF

Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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