

Trustees Annual Report 2020/21

Colne Valley Regional Park Trust, Charity Registration Number: 1181303

Address: Colne Valley Park Visitor Centre, Denham Court Drive, Denham, Bucks, UB9 5PG

Trustees:

- Paul Graham
- Marilyn Heath
- Glenys Price
- Deborah Valman
- John Whitby
- Michael Woods

Structure, how managed and how recruit trustees:

The Trust is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). The charity trustees manage the affairs of the CIO and may for that purpose exercise all the powers of the CIO. The first Trustees are listed in the Trust's constitution. Trustees are recruited through decision of the trustees, the 'Friends representative' is nominated by members of the Friends of the Colne Valley Park but only when that position is vacant.

Report:

During the financial year 2020/21 the Colne Valley Regional Park Trust:

- administered the Friends of the Colne Valley Park membership scheme and provided regular communications and updates on the wider work in the Regional Park including the Lottery-Funded Landscape Partnership and the work of our sister organisation, the Colne Valley Park CIC.
- Review of operating structures in the Colne Valley Regional Park alongside our sister organisation the Colne Valley Park CIC. As from 1st April 2021 the Trust will take on the role as the lead organisation working within the Colne valley Regional Park
- Recruited new trustees who will take up their positions in April 2021.
- Set up a Service Level Agreement with Groundwork South to act as Managing Agent to the Park to take effect from 1st April 2021

I offer my thanks to all the Trustees for their efforts and support on a voluntary basis over the course of the year. I would particularly like to thank Mike Woods and Deborah Valman who were founding Trustees and instrumental in taking the Trust forward. Both stood down as Trustees on 31/03/21.

I would also like to thank Glenys Price, our vice chairman and Friends representative who has also been serving as acting chairman up to January 2021.

The Trust is in a reasonably strong financial position for an organisation of its size but more needs to be done as we gear up to take on the mantle of the lead body for the Colne Valley Regional Park. Financial information can be seen in the attached accounts.

John Whitby, Chairman

COLNE VALLEY REGIONAL PARK TRUST
FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS : 2020/21

PAYMENTS

Secretary & admin expenses	105.44
Insurance	127.68
Local Group subscriptions	340.50
CVRP activity funding	0.00
Corporate Support admin	1986.00
OTHER	41.00
VAT	0.00
TOTAL	<u>2600.62</u>

RECEIPTS

Subscriptions 2020/21	240.00
Donations 2020/21	284.00
Subscriptions 2021/22	58.00
Donations 2021/22	143.00
Donations from Visitor Centre boxes	29.07
OTHER	46.00
VAT	0.00
TOTAL	<u>800.07</u>

CASH STATEMENT

Balance as at 31 Mar 2020	23282.91
plus total Receipts	800.07
minus total Payments	-2600.62
Balance as at 31 Mar 2021	21482.36

BANK

Metro Bank current A/C 31 Mar 2021	23468.36
minus unpresented cheques	-1986.00
Balance as at 31 Mar 2021	21482.36

NOTES

1. Local Groups (IDCA & Denham Woods) receive 50% of their members' subscriptions.
2. Spending of £420 (River Ranger T-shirts) project to be actioned from the remainder of the £11,000 donation from CocaCola.
3. £7,295 (corporate volunteering events) and £360 (talk/PR opportunities) projects to be carried forward to 2021/22 from the remainder of the £10,000 CocaCola corporate support.
4. Note the refund from Metro Bank of three disputed Direct Debit transactions totalling £46, £5 of which related to the 2019/20 financial year. See OTHER headings above.

Paul Graham
Acting Treasurer, CVRP Trust