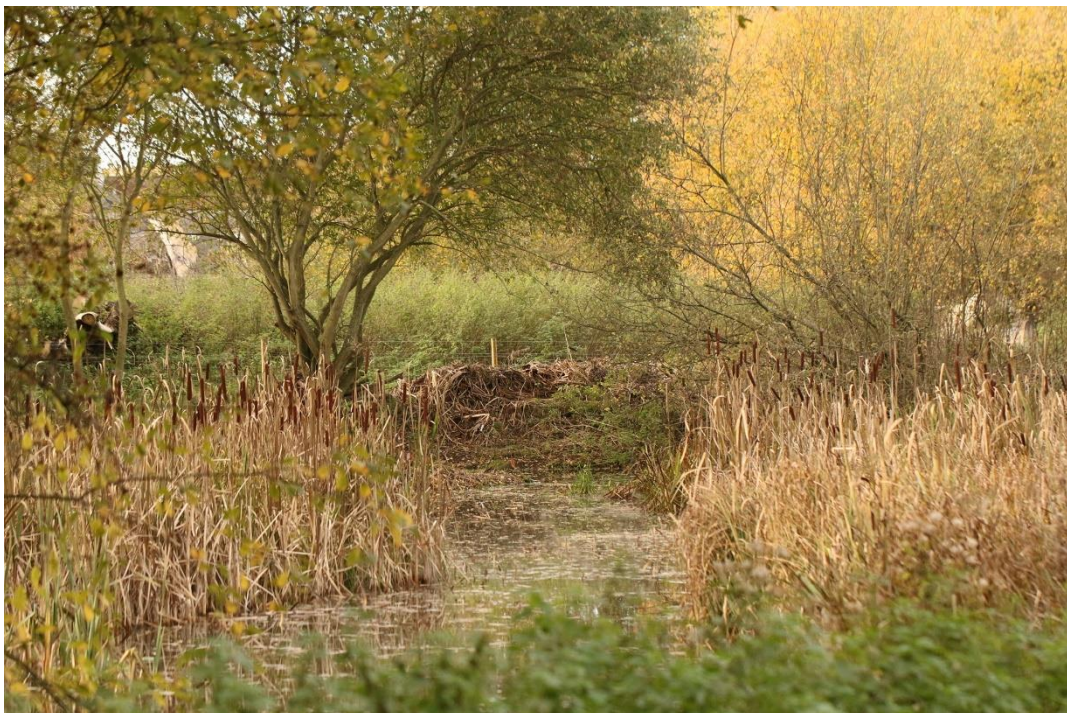




Bury Water Meadows Group CIO

Charity Number: 1185321

Trustees' Annual Report & Financial Statements for the Period 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2021



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Trustees' Annual Report

for the Period from 01-01-2021 to 31-12-2021

Section A: Reference & Administration Details

Charity Name	Bury Water Meadows Group CIO
Registered Number	1185321
Principal Address	27 Victoria Street, Bury St Edmunds, IP33 3BB

Names of the charity trustees who manage the Charity

Name	Office	Date Appointed (if during year)	Resigned (if during year)
Andrew Hinchley	Chair		
Ian Campbell	Treasurer		
Elizabeth Ranzetta	Secretary		
Jillian Macready			
Stephen Brunner			26/02/2021
Julian Case			
Iain Carruthers-Jones			
Richard Counihan		26/02/2021	

Andrew Hinchley is also a trustee of the River Lark Catchment Partnership with charity registration number 1177318.

Elizabeth Ranzetta is also a trustee of Bury St Edmunds Rickshaw with charity registration number 1189132

Change of Charity Officers at the AGM in February 2022

Andrew Hinchley has been the Chair of BWMG since its formation in 2013 and without his drive the group would probably not have existed. The prospect of losing the Leg of Mutton field with its uninterrupted view of the town for 1000 years led to a successful campaign by BWMG founder members against its development. The housing expansion envisaged in the Vision 2031 plan highlighted an urgent need to preserve what was left of the river floodplains and water meadows: the town as we know it would not be here but for the Lark, with its shallow valley and pure spring-fed water which attracted the medieval settlement in the first place.

BWMG first became involved in work parties in early spring of 2017, when it was in the right place at the right time to organise volunteers from within its membership to plant European White Elms that had been gifted to West Suffolk Council (WSC). Since then, the group's conservation activities have expanded to encompass all the town's public water meadow green spaces, significantly with Ram Meadow from 2019 and No Mans Meadows & the Crankles from 2022 on a co-management basis with WSC. Another key development has been the establishment of volunteer biodiversity surveys which began in 2020. This citizen science contributes to the biological records used in research, education and conservation to find out as much as we can about our animals and plants to prevent their extinction. BWMG formally converted to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) status in 2019.

Andrew has also been the Chair of the River Lark Catchment Partnership (RLCP) since its formation as the Lark sub-catchment partnership under the umbrella CamEO organisation as part of the devolved delivery of the government's Water Framework Directive (WFD). His network of contacts is impressive, illustrated by him recently advising the Duke of Wellington and co-sponsors on the Lords' amendments to the Environment Bill.

Andrew has decided to step down from the Chair of BWMG to spend more time on developing RLCP. In his place we welcome Elizabeth Ranzetta as the new Chair. Julian Case and Jillian Macready will now share the duties of Secretary.

Names of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

NONE

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

NONE



Section B: Structure, Governance & Management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of Governing Document	Association model constitution with voting members other than its charity trustees
How the Charity is Constituted	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee Selection Methods including details of any constitutional provisions	There must be at least three trustees under the Constitution. We have aimed to maintain a minimum of six members on the CIO management committee and periodically ask the members via newsletter if anyone is interested in adding their expertise. The member would then attend and participate in the management committee for a three-month trial period and subject to this being successful they are invited to become a trustee. No body external to the charity has any entitlement to appoint trustees.

Additional information (optional)

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	In accordance with the Constitution a copy of the Constitution including any amendments made to it along with a copy of the latest trustees' annual report and statement of accounts will be made available to each new trustee. Having already served on the management committee the new trustee will be familiar with all discussions regarding the running of the CIO.
Other Governance	<p>The CIO management committee normally meets once per month and the secretary maintains minutes of each meeting's actions and decisions.</p> <p>Policies in respect of the following areas are in place:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Equality & Diversity➤ Conflicting Interests➤ Volunteer Management➤ Complaints Handling➤ Risk Management➤ Safeguarding Vulnerable Beneficiaries



Section C: Objectives & Activities

The purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document are

To conserve, preserve and improve the Rivers Lark and Linnet in Bury St Edmunds and adjacent areas for the benefit of the public in particular but not exclusively by:

1. Improving access and encouraging the appropriate use of the rivers and their environs by members of the public
2. Educating the public about the rivers and their environs
3. Facilitating community involvement in the conservation of the rivers Lark and Linnet, Bury St Edmunds's water meadows and critical other local green spaces
4. Improving the biodiversity of the Lark and the Linnet
5. Working in partnership with like-minded organisations

Summary of the main activities in relation to these purposes for the public benefit:

➤ **River path access:**

Our publication "A Tale of Two Rivers", an illustrated walking guide to the rivers and water meadows of Bury St Edmunds is a good resource. It proved popular with attendees on the two walking tours run by local tour guide and BWMG member Peta Levantis "a walk along two rare chalk streams" as part of the 2021 Heritage Open Days event.

The 13 mile River Lark path from Mildenhall however does not connect with these accessible town centre paths, ending ingloriously by the UPS depot on the outskirts of the town. It is disappointing that it's over two years since BWMG participated in a press launch for a new river path from Barton Hill to Bury St Edmunds station hill, having acquired a plot of land to provide public access at the Barton Hill end. This would double the length of the existing river paths in the town, opening up green space with an extensive wood and meadow but needs WSC to complete the necessary consultations and actions before it can be opened.

This would leave one remaining stretch to complete between Tollgate Bridge and UPS which needs Suffolk County Council to progress the access.

➤ **Education and communication:**

In place of traditional hall-based talks we continued to host an average of 3 online webinars per month, both BWMG-sponsored and those organised by the Chalk Aquifer Alliance, a campaigning network of chalk stream groups. This enabled an accessible broad range of subjects and high-quality national speakers to be brought to our membership and to the general public. Our website contains recordings of these talks for anyone to view, as well as features on the work taking place in the various habitat locations and the Water Meadows Chronicles blog. Our active Facebook page educates readers on the regular activities of the group with pictures and videos.

We also took a prominent stand and made 3 presentations at the town's Green Fair organised by West Suffolk Hive CIC in the Apex, one of the first post-lockdown public events.

➤ **River flow and water quality policy:**

The town's rivers Lark and Linnet are chalk streams which are globally rare. Chalk streams are one of England's most important natural habitats and here flow alongside water meadows which are areas of grassland historically modified with controlled irrigation to increase agricultural productivity. Sadly, our two rivers are suffering from lack of water and the water that is in the rivers does not derive from the aquifer as it should but is often run-off and polluted both upstream and downstream of the town essentially due to over-abstraction for the public water supply and pollution from agriculture, roads, and water treatment works.

At policy level the charity's role is primarily to work in partnership with other organisations who are better set-up and structured to tackle the root causes of these problems. We participate with Water Resources East (WRE), the strategic advisory group charged with planning for the water

needs of the environment and the public for the next 25 years in East Anglia in its study work on reducing extraction. We also work with RLCP on reducing extraction and with the Rivers Trust on sewage pollution from the documented spilled sewage frequency from the Fornham treatment works just downstream from the town.

In conjunction with Sam Hurst of Norfolk Rivers Trust we have been investigating the state and condition of the three outfall locations in the town where road run-off from the A14 enters the Lark. These are at Rougham Road bridge, alongside Ram Meadow, and at Tesco.

➤ **Habitat conservation and maintenance:**

Facilitating community involvement in conservation is probably the main activity of the charity with our volunteer work in the water meadow locations in Bury St Edmunds. Going from north to south the work involved in habitat conservation and maintenance for biodiversity can be briefly summarized as follows:

- **Ram Meadow**

Bounded to the east by the river Lark and the A14, and to the north by Compiegne Way this site is part of the river's floodplain consisting of low-lying meadow with a network of drainage ditches but the silting up of the ditches and the drying out of the scrape through willow and bur-reed have combined to threaten the site's habitats.

We continued with the second year of a multi-year rotation management plan in conjunction with WSC focusing on habitat management benefitting fauna and flora that are less common or vulnerable. The Council has previously indicated its agreement to designate Ram Meadow as a Local Nature Reserve (LNR) which would further improve access to people for study, education, or to simply enjoy nature in an urban setting but its decision to place LNR decisions within the massive West Suffolk Plan framework process means progress has stalled.

In December 2020 we received the report from a site survey commissioned at Ram Meadow to assess the possible options to support building a noise barrier to mitigate the impact of the A14 road which runs alongside. This indicated that the project is feasible under different construction scenarios and is a key element in any future discussion with Highways England.

A second area of Ram Meadow to the north and east and bounded by the river to the south, by the A14 to the east and by Compiegne Way to the west was vacated by travellers during the year. Behind the area of new spoil now already colonised by plants lies largely unspoiled wetland and woodland habitats. Our plan is to create a maintenance plan in conjunction with WSC to keep this wonderful wild site as it is.

- **Abbey Gardens bankside west & River Lark path bankside east**

Within the grounds of the Abbey Gardens alongside the west bank of the river Lark from the iron footbridge to the Abbots bridge we previously installed revetments consisting of coir matting, planted marginal plants and faggot bundles of hazel brash to contain the banks and to stop erosion. We continue to maintain the wildflower area between the path and the bank.

Along the area bounded by the east bank of the river Lark and the path running between the Crankles and the Abbey Gardens we continue to suppress nettles and plant wildflower seed with the objective to transition habitat from formal horticulture to a conservation area.

- **The Crankles**

Formerly thought to be the site of the Abbey's monastic fishpond complex, this area is bounded by the two rivers and is divided by a designated cycle path. We are maintaining the meadow areas including nettle suppression by scything replacing the previous mowing regime. During the year from funding awarded by Bury St Edmunds Town Council we commissioned a new nature conservation management plan for the Crankles and No Mans Meadows written by ecologist Susan Deakin. The objective is to maintain a diverse woodland/glade habitat in the north section and a transition from rough ground and nettle dominance to wildflower meadow with a variety of trees for pollinators in the south section.

- **No Mans Meadows**

Also bounded by the two rivers this large area comprises four open meadows dating from medieval times crossed by drainage ditches that were originally created to manage the wet

meadowlands. We have been undertaking suppression control of dominant poplar and nettles and have started a programme of clearing the ditches. Guided by the new nature conservation management plan together with a hydrological report commissioned from Sustainable Water Solutions (also funded by the Town Council grant) we will now develop a practical formal plan for habitat maintenance and management for No Mans Meadows and the Crankles in agreement with WSC.

➤ **Invasive species:**

The charity's in-channel volunteers continued to work in tackling the removal of the invasive species Himalayan Balsam along both the rivers Lark and Linnet in the town. Himalayan Balsam is so invasive that it is illegal in the UK to plant or encourage it to grow in the wild. With each plant capable of producing as many as 800 seeds that remain viable for two years, it soon invades, smothering riverbanks. Once it is allowed to disperse its high velocity seed, it's carried by rivers and streams to other sites downstream and so the cycle continues. This is an on-going annual summer activity in partnership with RLCP volunteers who work downstream.

➤ **Biodiversity survey:**

Volunteers were able to re-commence our second year of biodiversity surveys in March once Covid restrictions were lifted over 5 hectares of green space in the Crankles, No Mans Meadows and Ram Meadow. We commissioned the installation of two owl boxes and two kestrel boxes in No Mans Meadows following multiple sightings of kestrels but only one recorded sighting of a barn owl despite it being described as "classic barn owl territory". We hope that they will be occupied in time for next year's breeding season.

Plans to run a Bio-Blitz event in partnership with the Abbey 1000 millennium celebrations organisation are now advanced whereby a combination of scientists, naturalists, schools and members of the public will work together to discover as many species of plants, animals and fungi as possible over a Friday and Saturday in May 2022.

➤ **Partnerships:**

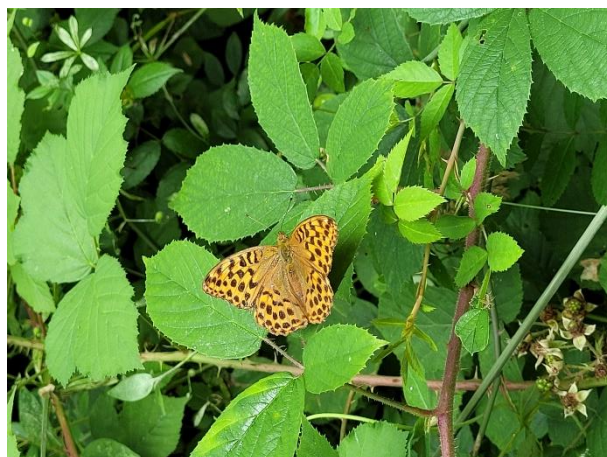
We continue to work in partnership with other conservation groups and local organisations both to contribute and to add our perspective to what they are planning.

BWMG is a founding member of the Chalk Aquifer Alliance that formed in 2019 to unite independent chalk stream groups to raise awareness of and campaign on the plight of chalk streams and we host their webinars that attract attendees from across the country and abroad. We are also an associate member of RLCP, a group of organisations and individuals that have come together to enable a cohesive approach to the environmental challenges facing the Lark.

We work closely with WSC to help manage and maintain council owned and leased green spaces and we have formal links with the Bury Society, the Friends of the Abbey Gardens, Bury in Bloom, and are a member of the Abbey of St Edmund Heritage Partnership.

Statutory declaration on public benefit

The trustees declare that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties.



Section D: Achievements & Performance

➤ **Membership:**

The charity was successful in more than maintaining its membership through the period, increasing to 244 members from 237 last year at the renewal date of 1st November. We attracted 41 new members in the year. New members are often attracted through personal contact networking with existing members, through seeing volunteers in action and through our online presence.

➤ **Education and Communication:**

We continue to believe that there is a need to engage more residents in nature appreciation and recognition. The green urban environment provides a common language for all and a shared purpose independent of gender, ethnic background, age, physical ability, mental functioning, socio-economic status or knowledge.

In 2020 the charity developed a programme of online webinars from scratch. This continued through 2021 with an average of 3 online webinars per month both BWMG-sponsored and those organised by the Chalk Aquifer Alliance. Presentations were made on chalk streams and the threats they face and on subjects of general environmental interest with topics including CaBA Chalk Stream Restoration strategy, the river Lark Pollution Review & Action Plan, storm overflows, the impact of HS2 on Aquifers and an update from member Sarah Gull on the first 18 months of owning 15 acres of the Butts water meadows. The webinars are open to both members and non-members and are free to join.

The result has been a significant increase in our capacity to educate and inform our audience. We have attracted a high-quality range of speakers including nationally renowned experts whom we would not have been able to bring to the town to speak.

We also believe that social contact has been promoted through these online talks whilst coronavirus remains a concern, keeping people in regular contact with the benefit to mental health that this brings.

➤ **River flow and water quality policy:**

The investigation into the state and condition of the three outfall locations in the town where road run-off from the A14 enters the Lark revealed that the central outfall location where the Lark runs alongside Ram Meadow should discharge into a retention pond to allow the settling out of particulate pollutants. However, due to lack of maintenance the outfall has become blocked allowing contaminated water to find its own way into the river. We have contacted Highways England who are investigating the remediation works required to the retention pond.

We are also due to meet with the Tesco store manager to discuss what if anything can be done about the northern outfall (and the concrete channel in general) though there is little space here for attenuation or treatment options.

➤ **Habitat conservation and maintenance:**

We mobilised our volunteer base in the conservation, maintenance and in the management of the rivers Lark and Linnet and their surrounding water meadows in Bury St Edmunds. Typical volunteer work parties consist of between 4 and 20 volunteers lasting between 2 to 4 hours taking place on average 3 or 4 times per month throughout the year. Apart from 1 event at New Year work parties were not able to begin until the end of March 2021 due to coronavirus restrictions. 71 members have been involved in 51 different work parties this year clocking up 1050 hours.

With volunteering everyone wins with benefits to the individual, local community, wider society, and the environment. We have seen first-hand through the effects of lockdown that volunteering is good for the mind and body, helping people stay physically healthy and providing a sense of purpose. The social contact aspect of helping and working with others can have a profound effect on overall psychological well-being and helps keep people in regular contact with others to provide a solid support system which in turn protects against depression.

• **Scything**

A key achievement this year has been to implement a schedule of regular cutting in selected

areas with the aim of suppressing nettles and other rank vegetation. This has been done by trained volunteers using traditional Austrian scythes with 2021 being the first year in a three-year process of encouraging a more herb-rich and florally diverse sward. Following the first session last year we ran our second scythe-training day in April, paid for by a grant from HDH Wills increasing the number of trained volunteers to sixteen. Our scythers have become expert with regular practice and some now have their own scythes in addition to the 8 sets now owned by BWMG.

Between April and October we scythed 2, 3 or 4 times in Crankles North, Crankles South, along the Lark path bankside east, and Ram Meadow between the football ground and the river. In Crankles South monthly cuts to the north, east and west margins were complemented by a single cut to the central meadow section where the process is a year further advanced. An equal number of volunteers are needed on these work parties to clear the arisings. We also sowed yellow rattle and a wildflower seed mix. Next year monthly cuts will be repeated on the margins and the meadow part treated to just 2 cuts in April and October. At the request of the head gardener we scythed the new Abbey Gardens labyrinth which is already rich in wildflowers.

- **Ram Meadow Management Plan**

Through the autumn of 2021 we continued with the 2nd year of the multi-year habitat management programme agreed with WSC, running 4 more volunteer events.

The work began by coppicing willow which both blocks light from the scrape and also hides the water habitat from the public's view along the adjacent footpath. Over 2 half days we created a large pile of some 150m³ of cut willow branches. The plan is for this to be converted into woodchip to be laid along the Ram Meadow paths. Over a further 2 half days volunteers with in-water training then went into the scrape and pulled a section of great reedmace (bullrushes) by hand. These heavy reeds up to 2m tall were then floated to the water's edge, loaded onto a wheelbarrow and left in habitat piles on the side. This was different to last year when we pulled mainly branched bur-reed and we noticed that this water has now been colonised by hornwort, a native oxygenating plant.

The result was to open-up a new sector of water meeting up with the area opened up last year. Volunteers were also busy removing poplar suckers, laying out wood-chipped poplar from last year's activity onto the public footpaths, as well as 2 sessions during the spring of hemlock removal on the Lark bank at the north end of Ram Meadow.

- **No Mans Meadows and the Crankles**

In No Mans Meadows we dug out invasive poplar suckers from one meadow, continued with a programme to clear the ditch network in order to create more light and reduce blockages, and with Council approval removed a stretch of derelict fencing alongside the Lark.

Guided by the new nature conservation management plan together with the hydrological report, the development of a practical formal plan for the habitat maintenance and management of No Mans Meadows and the Crankles is underway. The co-management with WSC of these water meadows in addition to Ram Meadow represents a significant step-change in operation for BWMG.

- **Other Volunteer Work Parties**

We organised several litter-picking parties during the year, cleaning up the Linnet at Cullum Road and Friar's Lane, Ram Meadow between the Lark east bank & the A14, Holywater Meadow, the Lark Valley Path at Mildenhall Road and No Man's Meadow. The autumn events included the categorisation and recording of each piece of litter for the Preventing Plastic Pollution project. We partnered with The Bury St Edmunds Rotaract Club who did a great job in clearing litter from the former travellers' site at Ram Meadow.

There were also various in-channel sessions to clear blockages and detritus from sections of our two rivers in order to help them better perform their natural function. These included the Linnet between Friars Lane & Cullum Road, behind Corsbie Close, the ditch by Holywater Meadow, and the Lark in Ram Meadow. We partnered with Bury St Edmunds Rugby club to help them clear blockages in the Lark adjacent to their playing fields.

➤ **Equipment**

In addition to the commission of the nature conservation management plan and hydrological report for No Mans Meadows & the Crankles, the grant of £9277 received in the year from the Town Council enabled the charity to purchase a 20 ft container sited at the town's community rugby club in which to store our increasing stock of equipment and tooling.

We also added 4 wheelbarrows, an electric chainsaw and 4 scything sets along with shears, forks, first aid supplies and tools paid for out of grants and general funds.

➤ **Training**

The Town Council grant has enabled us to enrol our work party leaders in the "NSPCC: an introduction to Child Protection" training to support the development of our policy to open up our work parties to young adults aged 14 and over. The grant has also paid for the training of 2 more members in the use of chainsaws in work parties. As noted earlier 11 more volunteers completed scything training in the year.

Further training of work party leaders and volunteers has been facilitated through RLCP for river restoration, advanced river restoration, RLSS National Water Safety Management Level 1 & Level 2 River, and Emergency Outdoor First Aid.

➤ **Invasive Species:**

Our volunteers continued to make a major contribution to controlling Himalayan Balsam on the rivers Lark & Linnet in the town. In June we again surveyed the 7km of accessible sections of the rivers using the iRecord App so that we have a benchmark for future years. In July we then worked downstream along the riverbanks, usually at water level and pulled up plants individually by their roots before the seed is set. This action effectively kills the plants but the scale of the task and nature of the habitat with steep riverbanks and nettles, makes this very labour-intensive work. Altogether volunteers clocked up 80 hours over 12 sessions on this project and the good news is that where we have pulled plants previously they return in significantly less abundance in the following year. Because of this we were able to pull much further downstream than in 2020 and so this year's efforts upstream should restrict further spread downstream to Fornham, Hengrave and beyond where our RLCP partners operate.

➤ **Biodiversity:**

A significant development over the last 2 years in BWMG has been the creation of a biodiversity group undertaking citizen science. 2021 saw the second year of volunteers recording biodiversity surveys between March and October across the Crankles, No Mans Meadows and Ram Meadow areas.

Our observers recorded a total of 53 different types of bird. Small mammals seen were few but included water vole, hedgehog and moles. Deer, especially muntjac, were regularly seen. Butterfly sightings were mainly of whites and red admirals with other types being scarce, and the group is now encouraging the seeding of plants such as yellow rattle which are known to be attractive hosts to caterpillars. There was an enormous diversity of plants found ranging from tiny violets to large plants including bullrushes, mulleins, indian balsam and hemlock, the latter two being invasive and unwelcome. The Ram Meadow area vacated during the year provided a treasure-trove of plants with over 120 species being recorded in an hour.

All records are fed into iRecord and the detailed monthly recordings by our observers can be found under the Biodiversity Surveying section on our website.

➤ **Partnerships:**

The mailing list of the Chalk Aquifer Alliance has quickly grown to over 600 people, and BWMG's leading role has given us unique access to a range of experts, opportunities, and chalk stream allies. One result was the short trial of a state-of-the art sonde for measuring water quality earlier this year. One of the main issues in tackling water quality policy has been the limited amount of data available by Anglian Water and the EA and with this equipment measuring dissolved organic matter, providing real-time BOD and DOC data alongside traditional parameters (pH, conductivity, turbidity) the results have assisted RLCP in providing hard data in the ongoing discussion with Anglian Water about sewage spills and water quality in the Lark.

We are a member of the Abbey of St Edmund Heritage Partnership's Core Group, which works to care for, conserve and enhance the Abbey Precinct (including the Crankles and No Mans Meadows). The Heritage Partnership aims to help people to experience the international significance of St Edmund and the historic Abbey whilst BWMG speaks up for the rivers and the associated water meadows. We are working with the Partnership to help raise the status of the Lark and Linnet within the Abbey Precinct.

With Bury in Bloom we have been cheered by the change to peat-free compost for the town's hanging baskets and helped find sites for rainwater harvesting tanks to supply the bowser that trundles round every day in the summer to keep the baskets watered.

Bury St Edmunds Rugby club readily agreed to our request to site our equipment storage container on their site and in return we have started to help them manage the ditches and the river Lark that border their fields.

➤ **Award Winner**

BWMG won the Bury Free Press 2021 Eco Friendly Community Award having been nominated by local residents.



Section E: Financial Review

Review of the financial position at the end of the period

The charity held a total of £5,896 in funds at the end of the period comprising £1,555 in restricted funds and £4,341 in unrestricted funds. For the start of the period the corresponding sums were total £4,400, restricted £738 and unrestricted £3,662

Principle sources of funds

The charity's total income in the period was £12,957. The charity received grant funding totalling £10,277 as follows:

1. £9,277 from Bury St Edmunds Town Council to fund a programme of activities intended to raise the status of the town's rivers and their environs for the public. This was used to purchase the equipment storage container, the No Mans Meadow/Crankles nature conservation management plan and hydrological report, bird boxes, equipment & tooling, and trustee & member training.
2. £500 from the HDH Wills 1965 Charitable Trust to fund scything for meadow and habitat management. This was used to purchase training for scythers and 2 scythe sets.
3. £500 from Waitrose. This remains unspent at the end of the year.

The balance of income in the year of £2,680 was primarily received from membership dues and donations. Annual membership runs from 1st November each year. The comparative first year reporting period of 15.5 months included two years of membership receipts.

Statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity does not have a reserves policy and does not hold funds in reserve.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

The Trustees declare that the charity had no funds which were materially in deficit at the date of the statement of assets & liabilities.

Particulars of any outstanding guarantee given by the charity

The trustees declare that the charity has given no guarantee where potential liability is outstanding at the date of the statement of assets & liabilities.


Particulars of any outstanding debt

The trustees declare that the charity has no outstanding debts which are secured by an express charge on any of the assets of the charity at the date of the statement of assets & liabilities.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature	
Full name	Ian Campbell
Position	Trustee & Treasurer

Date	25th February 2022
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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Bury Water Meadows Group CIO

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01-Jan-21

To

31-Dec-21

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					
Membership & Donations	2,270			2,270	2,472
Booklet Sales	45			45	
Web Hosting	365			365	200
Grant Bury St Edmunds Town Council		9,277		9,277	
Grant HD Wills		500		500	
Grant Waitrose		500		500	
Grant Bury St Edmunds Town Council				-	1,500
Grant Suffolk County Council				-	2,046
Grant Canal & Rivers Trust				-	500
				-	
Sub total	2,680	10,277	-	12,957	6,718
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
				-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total Receipts	2,680	10,277	-	12,957	6,718
A3 Payments					
Professional Surveys & Reports		3,150		3,150	3,558
Bird Boxes		440		440	
Container for Equipment		1,286		1,286	
Signage		240		240	
Work Party Tools & PPE	49	592		641	692
Scythes	825			825	786
Chainsaw & PPE	44	583		627	211
In River Tools & PPE		195		195	315
Wildflower Planting				-	1,017
Nettle Cutting	45			45	238
Work Party Expenses		46		46	10
Survey Expenses	20			20	
Training		2,545		2,545	138
Printing/Stationery		118		118	86
Insurance	161			161	161
Legal & Professional				-	23
Water Quality	160			160	
Publicity	200			200	
Speaker Exp/Web Hosting	712			712	611
Shelving/Storage				-	57
Other	50			50	51
				-	
Sub total	2,266	9,195	-	11,461	7,954
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	2,266	9,195	-	11,461	7,954
Net of receipts/(payments)	414	1,082	0	1,496	(1,236)
A5 Transfers between funds	265	(265)	0	0	0
A6 Cash funds last year end	3,662	738	-	4,400	5,636
Cash funds this year end	4,341	1,555	-	5,896	4,400

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	Current Account	4,341	1,555	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	4,341	1,555	-
	(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 £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Land for Footpath Entrance	Unrestricted	-	-
	Work Party Tooling & Equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
	Personal Protective Equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
	Publicity Display Material	Unrestricted	-	-
	Storage Container for Equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
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B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		<i>Ian Campbell</i>	IAN CAMPBELL	25/02/2022