



Lincolnshire Chalk Streams Trust

Trustees' Annual Report

up to 31.03.2023

Charity no: 1190917.

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The Trustees present their annual report of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) was registered on 18 August 2020 so this report represents the second full 12-month financial operating period. A financial statement has been prepared and is included in this report.

Objectives and Activities

The purposes of the Trust are:

- To promote for the benefit of the public the recovery, conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment by promoting the biological diversity of the chalk streams, blow wells and related features in Lincolnshire focussed around the Lincolnshire Wolds, North Lincolnshire and North East Lincolnshire; and
- To advance the education of the public in the recovery, conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment of chalk streams, blow wells and related features

In setting our objectives and planning our activities we have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance.

The main activities during this period have been to finalise the management plan for Northern Becks Catchment Based Approach (CaBA) as well as to secure funding to undertake Year One of walkover surveys on three operational catchments to produce an important evidence base of data.

Achievements and Performance

Over the last 12 months, the LCST has continued to build on raising awareness of its activities through marketing materials and attendance at various events including the Lincolnshire Show.

As the host organisation for the Northern Becks Catchment Based Approach (CaBA), the graduate volunteer employed in 2021-22 has supported the finalisation of the new management plan. CaBA funds were also used to support the Lincolnshire Chalk Streams Project to purchase new items of volunteer equipment to support volunteer days on the Northern Becks to undertake important habitat management work. This included items such as the purchase of waders and appropriate tools to assist with clearing scrub from the banks of overgrown streams.

The LCST was also able to successfully draw down significant funding from the Environment Agency which has been used to employ ecological consultants AECOM to undertake walkover surveys in the Northern Becks operational catchments. This work will continue in 2023-24 but has seen surveys start on Barrow Beck, North Beck Drain and Laceby Beck.

Funding mechanisms through Amazon Smile and Easy Fundraising have started to see smaller contributions coming through to LCST however the former has sadly now ceased.

Financial Review

The opening balance opening in April 2022 stood at £10,924.04
The closing balance stood at £39,872.24 in March 2023

The main source of our income has been from restricted sources mainly the CaBA funds and the Environment Agency which have brought £49,381.15 into the Trust. These are restricted funds of which £20,566.16 were used by the close of the accounts in March 23.

Whilst most of our running costs have been supported by the CaBA funds there has only been about £100 raised this year in unrestricted funds. Fundraising is difficult and at this moment we do have over £3,000 in unrestricted funds. This amount should see costs covered for some time as currently this only goes towards accountancy costs. This is ok so long as the Trust confines itself to using money that it has gained from external sources and uses the current unrestricted funds frugally.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Trust is a registered charity, number 1190917, constituted as Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) on 18 August 2020 and governed by its Constitution.

Trustees are selected annually at the annual general meeting by members of the CIO. The Constitution provides for a minimum of three trustees, to a maximum of seven trustees, with no more than two-thirds of trustees due for re-appointment in any one year. At the quarterly trustees' meetings, the trustees agree the broad strategy and areas of activity for the Trust, including consideration of grant making, fundraising and performance.

Plans for the next 12 months

It is intended that further opportunities to bring in additional funding will be explored and the banking arrangements will be reviewed to allow LCST to bring in larger award sums.

The AECOM work will continue to survey the River Lud and Skitter/East Halton Beck and finalise its report. The Northern Becks management plan will be reviewed.

A programme of attendance at events has already been scheduled to continue to raise the profile of the charity.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Lincolnshire Chalk Streams Trust
Registered charity number	1190917
Charity's principal address	Navigation Warehouse Riverhead Road Louth Lincs LN11 0DA
Website	www.lincolnshirechalkstreamtrust.org.uk
Trustees	Sarah Baker (Chair) Richard Osmond (Treasurer) Luke Benjamin Bamforth (Secretary) Clare Samantha Sterling Nicholas John Ward
Bank	NatWest Market Place Louth LN11 9NX

Approved by the Trustees on 16 January 2023 and signed on their behalf by:



Sarah Anne Baker
Trustee



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Lincolnshire Chalk Streams Trust

1190917

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01-Apr-22

To

31-Mar-23

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					
Donations, legacies and grants	91	49,381	-	49,472	19,701
Other	-	-	-	-	200
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	91	49,381	-	49,472	19,901
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	91	49,381	-	49,472	19,901
A3 Payments					
Insurance	-	500	-	500	314
Professional and Contractors fees	-	17,131	-	17,131	8,083
Printing, postage, stationery and computer supplies	7	635	-	642	535
Volunteer expenses	27	334	-	361	45
Tools and Equipment	-	1,889	-	1,889	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	34	20,489	-	20,523	8,977
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	34	20,489	-	20,523	8,977
Net of receipts/(payments)	57	28,892	-	28,949	10,924
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	3,617	7,307	-	10,924	-
Cash funds this year end	3,674	36,199	-	39,873	10,924

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	Balance of current account	3,674	36,199	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	3,674	36,199	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK


	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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	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	Print Name	Date of approval
	RICHARD OSMOND	28/01/2024



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Lincolnshire Chalk Streams Trust

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1190917

Set out on pages

Trustee's Annual Report and Receipts and Payments Accounts pages 1-2
(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2023.

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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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:

16/01/2024.

Name:

Tristran James Russell

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

Fellow of the Association Chartered Certified Accountants

Address:	Dexter & Sharpe, Rolleston House, 20-22 Bridge Street, Horncastle, Lincolnshire, LN9 5HZ

Section B	Disclosure
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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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