



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **1st July 2021** **To** **30th June 2022**

Charity name: **Cardiff Rivers Group**

Charity registration number: **1191857**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	Protecting waterways, woodlands, parks and other outdoor public spaces from litter and other detritus. Promoting biological diversity through habitat management and improvement. Undertaking and facilitating repair, reuse and recycling through the collection, repair and then onward donation, sale or recycling of items to reduce landfill or incineration.
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	The main activities of the Charity involve the organising and facilitation of litter picks, cleaning watercourses and habitat improvement events. The later includes reed cutting, coppicing and the removal of invasive species.
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 due 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	The charity does not make grants although we use our waste carriers licence to recycle or sell recovered items e.g. scrap metal to generate income for ourselves and others
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Cardiff Rivers Group is run entirely by volunteers. The Board consists of 11 members all of whom dedicate a significant amount of time to the charity. In addition we now have in excess of 800 people on our distribution list and will regularly have in excess of 40 people at our events. Details of their achievements are below.
Other		Once again we would like to recognise the contribution made by numerous organisations over the year in supporting us. Wales and West Housing in particular were extremely generous in their support for a new vehicle, along with Gallagher Insurance Brokers and many individuals. We received grants from EMR and Groundwork/Tesco as well that are greatly appreciated.

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	For the year being reported on we undertook 47 events resulting in 2304 volunteer hours. Our volunteers cleared the following from the waterways, parks and woodlands of Cardiff: 1916 bags rubbish 51 shopping trolleys 48 car tyres 31 cones 36 bikes 7 motor bikes 2 rowing boat hulls 1.5 burnt out cars We also recycled 47675kg of scrap metal. An increasing part of what we undertake particularly in the winter months is habitat management. This may be reed cutting in ponds, coppicing or removal of invasive species. We also supported other charities and not for profit organisations via use of our vehicle, trailer and equipment. As an upper tier waste carrier we are able to offer a risk free service for organisations to dispose of their bulky waste for very little cost.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Please see above
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Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Please see above
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		N/A

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity is in a far stronger financial position at the end of the financial year than was anticipated at the beginning of the year thanks to the generosity of our supporters both individuals and organisations. As such the charity is able to cover its running costs for the foreseeable future. The trustees will now consider how best to utilise the reserves to help in some small way to alleviate the effects of the cost of living and general austerity crisis being faced at the moment.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The original requirement for holding reserves was to build up sufficient funding in order to purchase a new vehicle. Thanks to the generosity of supporters this was achieved with little impact on the reserves. The trustees will now consider the level of reserves and the most appropriate use of them going forward.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£21642
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

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	During the year the charity received funding from: Wales and West Housing Gallagher Insurance European Metal Recycling Groundwork Wales/Tesco Keep Wales Tidy Personal donations Sales of donated and recovered scrap metal
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The charity is in a very strong financial position and thus not now seen as a significant risk. The charity is dependent upon Cardiff Council for the loan of a portacabin. Whereas this is gratefully acknowledged it is a constraint on the charity developing further due to lack of power, workshop space or

		ability to house the boat and trailer with our other equipment. The ideal would be to have affordable accommodation where the Charity could store everything in one place and to repair items rather than have to recycle them.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		N/A
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	CIO Foundation Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO Foundation Model
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	New Trustees will be appointed by the current Board either by invitation where there is a specific need or by general invitation to stand in which case applications will be reviewed and interviews undertaken as appropriate.

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	During the year the charity was asked to support Keep Wales Tidy in the delivery of one of their projects where they were short of staff to build community gardens. CRG engaged two of the trustees David King and Jon Wallis to undertake this work as paid subcontractors. Total net receipts to CRG was £354.
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Cardiff Rivers Group
Other name the charity uses	CRG
Registered charity number	1191857
Charity's principal address	C/O 59 Jim Driscoll Way Cardiff CF11 7JL

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	Catherine Oprava	Chairperson	2 nd November onwards	
2	Jon Wallis	Vice Chair		
3	Nigel Barry	Secretary		
4	David King MBE	Treasurer		
5	Daffyd Meurig			
6	Louise Tambini			
7	Christopher Hackett			
8	Elin Burgess		2 nd November onwards	
9	Marco Rafael Da Silva Ribeiro Leal			
10	Elizabeth Natale-Vaughan			
11	David Harmer		1 st July – 2 nd November	
12	Andrew Holden		1 st July – 2 nd November	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

[illegible]

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

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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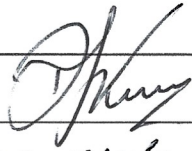
Other optional information

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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)	C. <u>Mawo</u>	
Full name(s)	CATHERINE OPRAVA	DAVID JAMES KING MBE
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	TREASURER
Date	27.01.2023	



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Charity Name Cardiff Rivers Group	No (if any) 1101857
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Receipts and payments accounts

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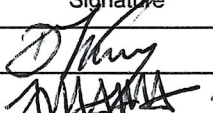
For the period from	Period start date 01/07/2021	To	Period end date 30/06/2022
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Section A Receipts and payments

	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	15,095	17,996	-	33,091	17,247
Scrap collected from clean up events	1,627	-	-	1,627	346
Grants	-	2,000	-	2,000	7,856
Miscellaneous	2,881	-	-	2,881	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	19,603	19,996	-	39,599	25,449
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	19,603	19,996	-	39,599	25,449
A3 Payments					
Vehicle, Tools, PPE	7,593	21,027	-	28,620	7,431
Insurance	730	-	-	730	499
General running costs	11,350	-	-	11,350	3,237
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	19,673	21,027	-	40,700	11,167
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	19,673	21,027	-	40,700	11,167
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 70	- 1,031	-	- 1,101	14,282
A5 Transfers between funds	- 157	157	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	21,869	874	-	22,743	8,460
Cash funds this year end	21,642	-	-	21,642	22,742

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	Bank Account	21,408	-	-
	Cash	234	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	21,642	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	8x4 Twin axle trailer	General	-	-
	10 foot aluminium boat	General	-	-
	Electric outboard motor	General	-	-
	HiLux Invincible 4x4 vehicle	General	-	-
	Electric winch	General	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities		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
		DJ KING	27/11/23
		JON WALLIS	27/01/23



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

Cardiff Rivers Group

**On accounts for the year
ended**

30th June 2022

**Charity no
(if any)**

1191857

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30th June 2022.

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

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.

Signed:

S. Servini

Date:

30th January 2023

Name:

Simon Servini

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

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