



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	6th	April	2022		5th	April	2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

The Gordon Rowley Foundation

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1195533

Charity's principal address

c/o Rutland Nursery

Lyndon Road, Manton

Oakham

Postcode LE15 8RN

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	Graham John Charles	Chairman		
2	Colin Charles Walker			
3	Peter Arthurs			
4	Paul Hoxey			
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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)

Charitable Incorporated Organisation
'Foundation' model constitution

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Appointed by the 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.

The affairs of the CIO are managed by its trustees who serve for 3 years and may stand for re-election by the other trustees. Additional trustees can be appointed to join the management team so long as they have the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

Our object is to advance the education for the public benefit in the subject of cacti and other succulent plants, their history, botany and cultivation.

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)

Improving knowledge of succulent plants through the cultivation of a collection of documented plants designed to support learning, conservation activities and the teaching of practical horticultural, cultivation and propagation skills, to be made available to interested members of the public;

Maintaining a library of botanical books and other material relating to cacti and other succulent plants accumulated by the late British botanist Gordon Rowley to be made available as an in-person and online educational resource;

Establishing a Botanical Centre to house the library and accommodate other educational activities including, but not limited to, lectures, permanent and temporary exhibitions, plant displays, shows and study meetings.

The trustees are fully conversant with the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

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

Before the Foundation can start operations, a building is needed to house the library and the plant collection as well as to undertake the activities described above.

During this period a suitable site was identified and a pre-planning application was made. The response meant that we had to find a different location which was done and the final planning application will be made in the next financial year.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The majority of the cash assets will be used to buy land, build and equip the botanical centre.
We will only retain sufficient funds to keep the library up to date and run the charitable activities listed above.

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.

Funds will be raised from some activities for which participants will pay a reasonable fee and also from the sale of surplus books and plants.
We will also invite donations from visitors and supporters.

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)

Graham John Charles

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

28th December 2023



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
The Gordon Rowley Foundation

No (if any)
1195533

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period
from

Period start date
6th April 2022

To

Period end date
5th April 2023

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					
Bank Interest	4,721	-	-	4,721	-
Donated book sales	31	-	-	31	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	4,752	-	-	4,752	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	4,752	-	-	4,752	-
A3 Payments					
Storage of books and materials	1,440	-	-	1,440	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,440	-	-	1,440	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,440	-	-	1,440	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	3,312	-	-	3,312	-
A5 Transfers between funds					
	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	741,199	-	-	741,199	-
Cash funds this year end	744,511	-	-	744,511	-

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	Held in bank account 31611682	744,511	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	744,511	-	-
	(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)
	Library of books and associated material	unrestricted	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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
			Graham Charles	28th Dec. 2023