



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From: 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

Charity name: Climate Hub

Charity registration number: 1201216

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment in Bath and North East Somerset and its surrounding area by providing education, information, advice and support on climate and ecological issues and sustainable living
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	Our main activities have focused on connecting with people in Bath & NES to support their engagement in positive actions that mitigate against and adapt to the climate and ecological crises. These activities have included raising awareness through information sharing, practical workshops, including learning and creative opportunities, and supporting people to deal with climate distress through climate cafes. Since appointing a freelance worker we have greatly expanded our online / virtual presence sharing focused campaigns, and promoting Climate Hub and partner events through our social media platforms. During the year we also moved into premises, the old ticket office at Bath Bus station, which greatly increased opportunities for engaging with people in person on a range of climate, ecological and sustainability topics and to work collaboratively with partner organisations.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance	Para 1.18	As Trustees we have ongoing regard to guidance issues by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	We have a mix of regular volunteers and those able to help on a more ad hoc basis with specific tasks. Since moving into the bus station space in November 2024 volunteers have enabled us to provide regular staffed sessions at the Climate Hub. They also helped us to prepare and move into the space prior to opening. Where we have undertaken events outside of our premises volunteers have assisted in running events and activities. Over the period we have been supported by 30 volunteers with additional ad hoc volunteer assistance. Based on the period since the physical hub space opened volunteers have contributed around 1000 hours in preparing the space, in engaging with visitors to the Hub and holding events.
Other		We have provided training for volunteers including a Climate Fresk session to increase understanding of the causes, connections and consequences of climate change and compassionate communication.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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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

We have created a public space that is open 9-6pm every day which offers information and raises awareness through displays on a range of climate and nature focused topics. We also use the space to promote the work of other local environmental groups, signposting people to how to get involved in positive action for climate and nature locally, to reduce their carbon footprint, and support nature and biodiversity. There is good footfall through this space as it leads to a cafe and public toilets for Bath Bus Station.

During our staffed sessions at the Hub, currently Tuesday to Friday, 10am to 4pm, we have welcomed over 1000 visitors between November 2024 to March 2025.

We have also created an online space for information sharing and promotion through our social media platforms.

People have benefitted by being able to take away information we or partner organisations have on display at the Hub, including on: transport, increasing energy efficiency of their homes, accessing nature and how to get involved in campaigning. An informal lending library also provides books for people to loan on a wide range of environmental issues for both children and adults.

By providing a space staffed by volunteers people are able to have face to face conversations and ask questions about aspects of climate change and environmental concerns.

Since moving into the Hub we have held workshop style events including a greener Christmas, plant based diets, and a local and environmental focused International Women's Day.

For example, in the New Year 2025 we showcased the role that plant based food can have in mitigating climate change - we partnered with a local vegan caterer to hold a cookery demonstration and tasting session, shared the work of the Plant based councils movement and developed our own Food display and quiz to engage with visitors to the Hub.

		We held regular craftivism evenings and climate cafes, offering 2 different quieter spaces where people could come together to share their feelings around the climate crisis and create items including from natural objects. One key ongoing campaign which has been shared in the physical hub space and the virtual space is ‘Small Changes, Big Differences’ with monthly themes encouraging everyday climate actions. As well as arranging our own events we have taken part in events organised by other organisations e.g. Bath College’s Sustainability Fair engaging primarily with young people, a children’s craft stall at the Festival of Nature in Bath city centre, helped welcome new students at Bath Spa university, and represented the Hub at Peasedown St John Green Fair. 1,000 people directly engaged at the Hub (estimated) from opening in November 374 people on our mailing list 30 volunteers providing support 17 engagement events/activities 2 radio interviews (KTCFM, Radio Bath) Social media between August 2024 and the end of March 2025: Instagram: monthly Reach increased from 246 to 1,010 with the highest Reach in November at 1,372. Facebook: monthly Reach increased from 337 to 3,941. Examples of feedback are given below, From visitors to the hub: “Im going to bring my grandchildren in - this will be a great place for them to learn” “I’m sharing Climate hub info with my friends at school- I’ll pop in again soon” “This place is really chilled ... It’s brilliant at connecting people with nature” And from partners: “Climate friendly Bradford on Avon is truly grateful for the support, inspiration
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		and initiative shown by Climate Hub Banes. Together we are stronger” At Share and Repair we are pleased to work closely with the Climate Hub. They are fantastic at signposting people to the support they need and also at providing support to us and other local environmental charities. Thank you to the team !”

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	In addition to engaging with a large number of people through our face to face and virtual engagement activities we have in this period: - Appointed a freelance coordinator to develop our work including our online presence and volunteering programme - Accessed grant funding of £10,000 - Held our first AGM in May 2025 - Negotiated a Tenancy at Will for the old ticket office at Bath bus station - Opened the Climate Hub in mid-November
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Our fundraising has performed according to plan. We started to accelerate our fundraising from the middle of the year as we expanded our staffing and that gave us the capacity to direct more time to fundraising.

Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Our financial position was sound. We have sufficient funding to keep us operating at the current rate for the whole of the 2025/26 financial year.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We do not hold specific reserves beyond cash in bank.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Zero
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	We have no purposes for which specific reserves would be required.
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	None at present.

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	Our primary source is grant funding raised from local philanthropic sources as well as national sources such as the National Lottery Community Fund. Our secondary source is donations from supporters.
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	As ever, our principal financial risk is a potential drop in grant funding. We have created and filled a part-time dedicated fundraising role. We maintain a monthly cashflow forecast that provides us with a rolling 12-month forward visibility and we can adjust our rate of monthly spending should that become necessary or prudent.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	CIO Association
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
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	Our constitution sets out rules for Trustees retiring by rotation, the number of terms Trustees are able to serve and the role of Climate Hub members in appointing Trustees, either at the AGM or at other times.

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	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Climate Hub (name changed – 7/8/25)
Other name the charity uses	None
Registered charity number	1201216
Charity's principal address	24 Brookfield Park Bath BA1 4JF

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	Natalie Barnett			
2	Melanie Clarke	Chair		
3	Carmen Jones			
4	Amanda Lake			
5	John Leach	Treasurer		
6	Lin Patterson		Up to AGM May 2024	
7	Sue Poole	Secretary		
8	Grace Wiltshire		From July 2024	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
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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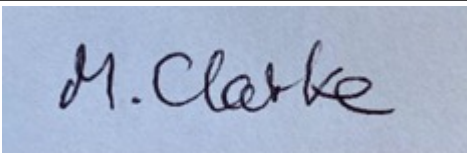
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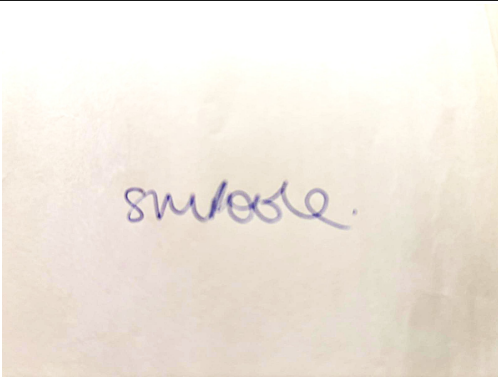
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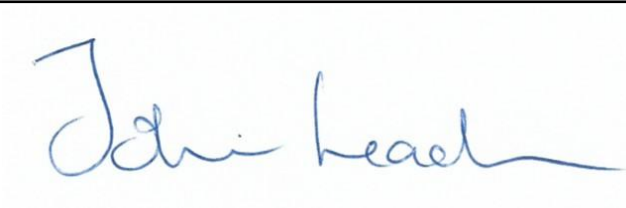
Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature	
Full Name	Ms Melanie Clarke
Position	Chair
Date	07/01/26

Signature	
Full name	Ms Susan Poole
Position	Secretary
Date	07/01/26

Signature	
Full name	Dr John Leach
Position	Treasurer
Date	07/01/26



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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period

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3/31/2025

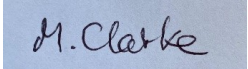
Section A Receipts and payments

	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					
Initial loan	-	-	-	-	1,000
Grants	10,000	-	-	10,000	65,700
Donations	707	-	-	707	507
Bank interest	110	-	-	110	37
Sub total	10,816	-	-	10,816	67,244
A2 Asset and investment sales					
None	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	10,816	-	-	10,816	67,244
A3 Payments					
Repay initial loan	-	-	-	-	1,000
Staff / contractors	12,100	-	-	12,100	-
Equipment	2,545	-	-	2,545	362
Consumables	1,794	-	-	1,794	541
Running costs	4,312	-	-	4,312	2,949
Transaction fees	26	-	-	26	2
Sub total	20,777	-	-	20,777	4,854
A4 Asset purchases					
Previous year's asset purchases	-	-	-	-	1,362
Two sets of display stands	267	-	-	267	-
Hot water urn	120	-	-	120	-
Fridge	160	-	-	160	-
IT equipment	327	-	-	327	-
Sub total	874	-	-	874	1,362
Total payments	21,652	-	-	21,652	6,216
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 10,835	-	-	- 10,835	61,028
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	- 10,835	-	-	- 10,835	61,028

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	CAFBank current account	50,191	-	-
	Total cash funds (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	50,191	-	-
		Agreement Error	OK	OK
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	None	-	-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets	None		-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Aggregate purchase cost	Value at year end
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Various assets as per the asset register	General	2,237	1,775
	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	None		-	

Signed by the Treasurer and one other trustee on behalf of all trustees

	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
Treasurer		John Leach	7-Jan-26
Chair		Mel Clarke	7-Jan-26