



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	13	June	2024		5	April	2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Climate Change Gardening

Other names charity is known by

CCG

Registered charity number (if any)

1208653

Charity's principal address

Cowslip Pightle,

Burton End,

Haverhill, Suffolk

Postcode

CB9 9AF

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	Clive Boase	Chair	n/a	n/a
2	David Arnold	Treasurer	n/a	n/a
3	Sue Boase		n/a	n/a
4	David Wright		n/a	n/a
5	Sharka Baxter		n/a	n/a
6	Jim Paine		13 Jun '24 to 28 Jun '24	n/a
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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
n/a	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
n/a		

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

n/a

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)	Climate Change Gardening is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, following the Foundation model.
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	New trustees are appointed by election by the other 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.

Trustees meet approx. monthly on Zoom, with 10 meetings in the period covered by this report. All meetings have agendas, and are minuted. In addition to their general responsibilities, individual trustees are also allocated specific roles such as fund-raising, event planning, publicity etc. Key documents are held on a shared drive to which all trustees have access.

Being new, the charity does not yet have a full suite of policies. However, we are planning to have our key policies in place before the end of this year.

The charity does not have formal links with any other organisations. However, it has informal contact with a range of other environmental and gardening organisations, has been invited to deliver presentations to them, and has attended some meetings.

The charity has initially benefitted from local authority funding. However, trustees are aware that possible changes in the political composition of local government, may close that opportunity. To mitigate this risk, the charity is seeking funding from non-governmental organisations.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

The object of the CIO is to promote the conservation of the natural environment by providing the public and in particular gardeners, with information about climate science, and by encouraging them to adopt measures to prevent or reduce the impact of climate change, through gardening.

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)

In planning the charity's activities and outreach work, the trustees have given due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The charity:

- Provides a website containing extensive information and guidance on how to manage gardens to help mitigate the climate and biodiversity crises. Access to all information is free of charge.
- Delivers talks, presentations and workshops to community groups, such as gardening clubs, public libraries and wildlife groups, on how to manage gardens to help mitigate the climate and biodiversity crises. The charity does not charge a fee for this, although in some instances it receives a donation. Many of these talks are free to the public, or are free to club members.
- Takes our stand to events such as gardening fairs, local authority events, residents' groups etc, where we engage with attendees about how their gardens can help mitigate climate change. Some events are free to the public, whereas organisers of other events charge an admission fee.
- Distributes a regular, free of charge digital newsletter via Mailchimp, containing news and information relating to gardening, climate change and wildlife.

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.

Most of the charity's work is currently done by the trustees. However, we have been seeking volunteers to help support our activities, and now have several volunteers who provide valuable assistance, either on our stand, or in terms of administrative work. We continue to seek more volunteers.

We have informal but productive relationships with other environmental and community groups locally, for example we are regularly invited to talk to groups at public libraries, to attend relevant local government meetings in Cambridgeshire and Suffolk, and to attend meetings of other charities.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

We applied for and were awarded funding from South Cambridgeshire District Council's Zero Carbon Communities fund. This allowed us to purchase items such as a gazebo and microscopes, that enabled us to create an engaging stand for use at events.

We have taken our stand to 11 events such as gardening fairs, and given 9 presentations to various community groups. Through this outreach work, we have engaged face-to-face with c.1000 individual gardeners. The charity's talks and presentations were entirely by invitation from the organisers, indicating that the charity has already created a significant 'profile' in its own topic area.

We conduct surveys of attendees at our presentations to community groups, to gauge how many are intending to make changes as a result of what they've heard. Of those that responded to the surveys, 77% intended to make at least one change to their gardening practice to help mitigate climate change.

The numbers of visitors to the charity's website (which went live in May 2024) is steadily increasing and has so far reached about 1700.

Through our outreach activities, we have been gradually increasing the size of our mailing list, currently about 350 addresses, to which we distribute our newsletter. This is sent out several times/yr via Mailchimp.

In addition to our 5 trustees, we have also recruited help from several volunteers. These primarily help on our stand at events, but have also helped with some administrative work.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity's policy is to keep six-month's running costs as a reserve, in case of a shortfall in funding.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

No funds are 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.

In Aug 2024 we opened a CCG bank account, with the Coop Bank.

Climate Change Gardening's funding has come from:

A £2400.00 grant from South Cambridgeshire District Council's Zero Carbon Communities scheme. This was received in Sept 2024, and had to be fully spent or re-paid within 12 months.

Donations of £356.00 received from gardening clubs, for having given talks about climate change gardening at their club meetings.

This income has been essential in enabling us to acquire the capital items required to run our outreach programme. Going forward, unless we are involved in more ambitious projects, we will be primarily seeking running costs.

In addition, the charity's website is donated free of charge by 101 Ltd.

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)

Clive Boase

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

18 Dec 2025

CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Climate Change Gardening

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	13-Jun-24	To	05-Apr-25
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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					
S. Cambs ZCC grant	-	2,400	-	2,400	-
Donations for giving talks	356	-	-	356	-
Misc donations	59	-	-	59	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	415	2,400	-	2,815	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
n/a	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	415	2,400	-	2,815	-
A3 Payments					
Stand items (Gazebo, microscopes, furniture, screen)	17	1,360	-	1,377	-
Revenue costs (postage, printing, travel, room hire etc)	182	156	-	338	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	200	1,516	-	1,715	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
n/a	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	200	1,516	-	1,715	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	215	884	-	1,100	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	296	-	-	296	-
Cash funds this year end	511	884	-	1,396	-

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	In bank account + petty cash	511	884	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	511	884	-
(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 £
	n/a	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	n/a		-	-
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			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Custom gazebo	Restricted	750	-
	Microscopes	Restricted	220	-
	Screen, tables & other stand items	Restricted	250	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	n/a		-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on
behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of
approval




Clive Boase

David Wright

18-Dec-25

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