

# THE CLEVELAND MOUNTAINEERING CENTRE

England & Wales · Charity number 267169

## Details

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**Other names** AGNUS SPENCER MEMORIAL HUT

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 1974-04-03

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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**Address** Woodbine Cottage  
West Rounton  
Northallerton  
DL6 2LW

**Phone** 01609882585

## Activities

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**Objects:** THE PROVISION OF ACCOMMODATION AND RELATED FACILITIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF CARRYING OUT ALL ASPECTS OF MOUNTAINEERING INCLUDING HILL WALKING AND ROCK CLIMBING, TO MEMBERS OF THE CLEVELAND MOUNTAINEERING CLUB, MEMBERS OF AFFILIATED CLUBS OF THE BRITISH MOUNTAINEERING COUNCIL, AND OTHER GROUPS AS AGREED BY THE TRUSTEES. GEOGRAPHICALLY THE BENEFICIARIES WILL BE PRIMARILY FROM CLEVELAND, COUNTY DURHAM AND NORTH YORKSHIRE BUT FROM TIME TO TIME MAY BE FROM ANY REGION OF THE UNITED KINGDOM.

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## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- Cumbria
- North Yorkshire

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-01-06	£10,845	£8,017	-	-
2024-01-06	£9,105	£6,006	-	-
2023-01-06	£6,329	£12,353	-	-
2022-01-06	£31,743	£3,892	-	-
2021-01-06	£14,845	£5,167	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
David Richards	Chair	2017-11-02
BEN PEARCE		2012-03-23
Christine Close		2017-02-02
Dr LUCY CLAIRE TULLOCH		2012-05-18

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# Accounts

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# Trustees' Annual Report for the period



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Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

Postcode

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Fuel (Coal)	£244.40	£290.80	£373.80	£593.89	£461.60
Household consumables	£135.67	£93.86	£71.89	£53.69	£113.99
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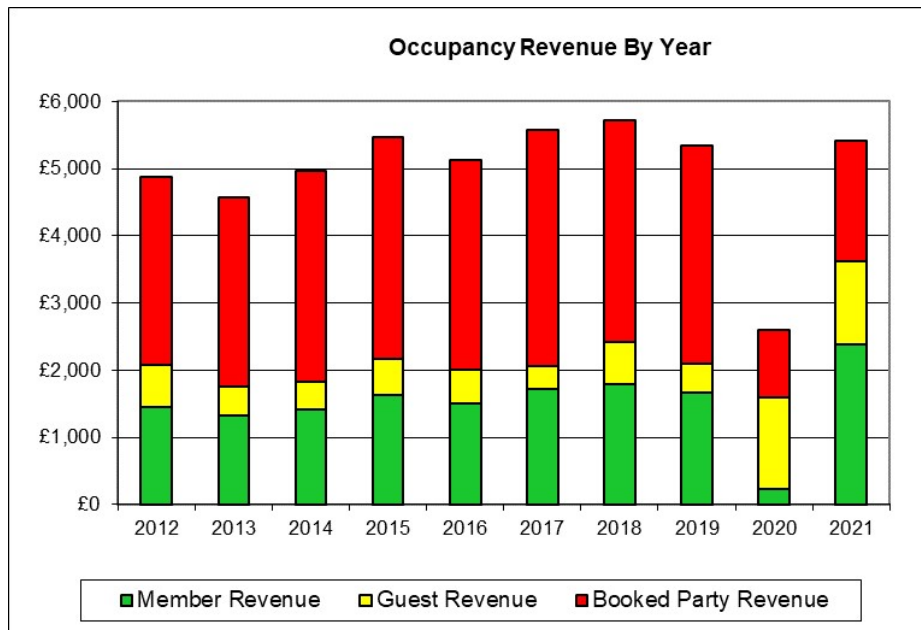
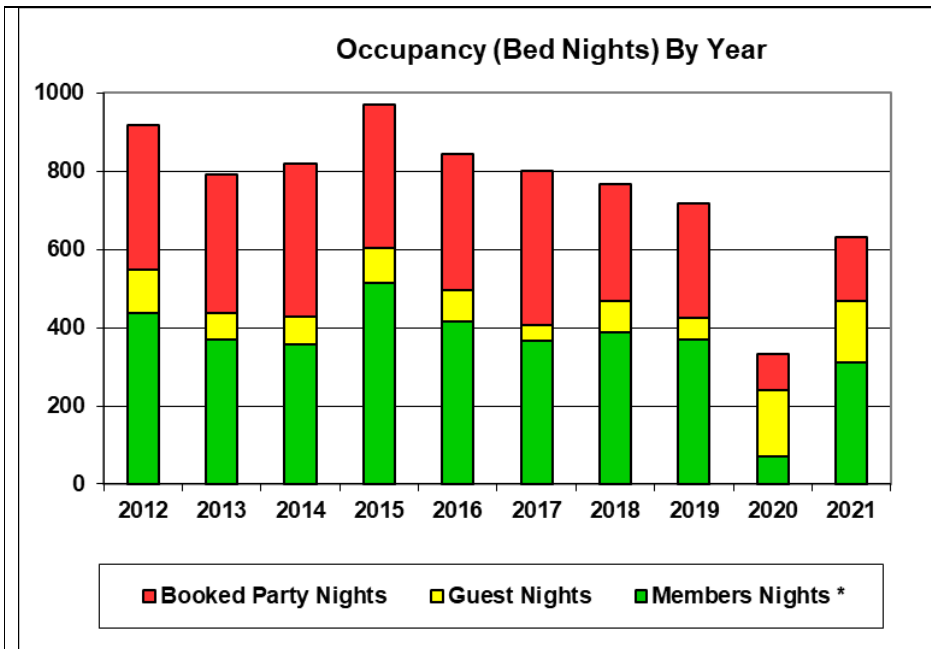
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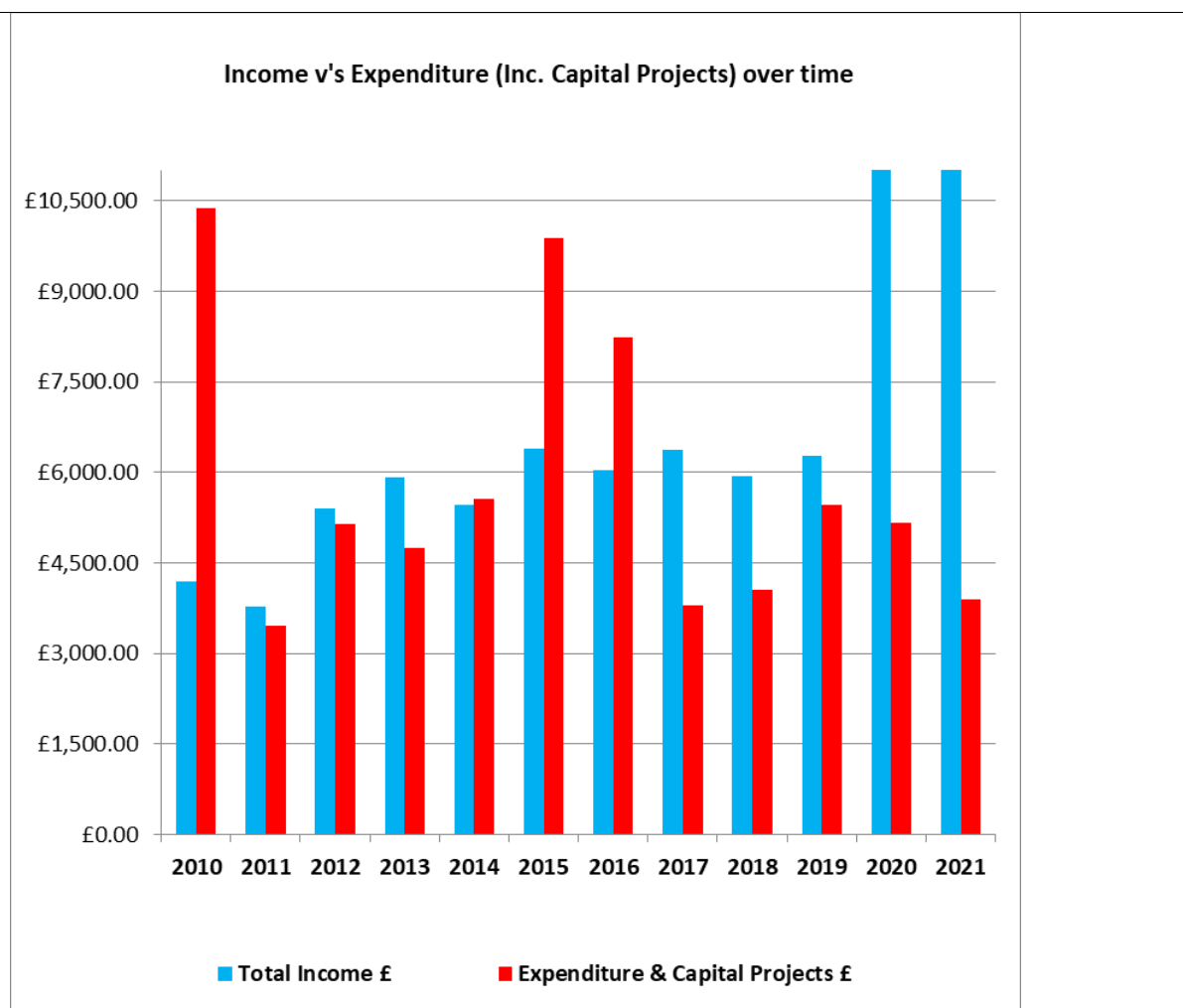
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The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	David Richards	Ben Pearce
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Honorary Hut Warden	
<b>Date</b>	14/02/22	



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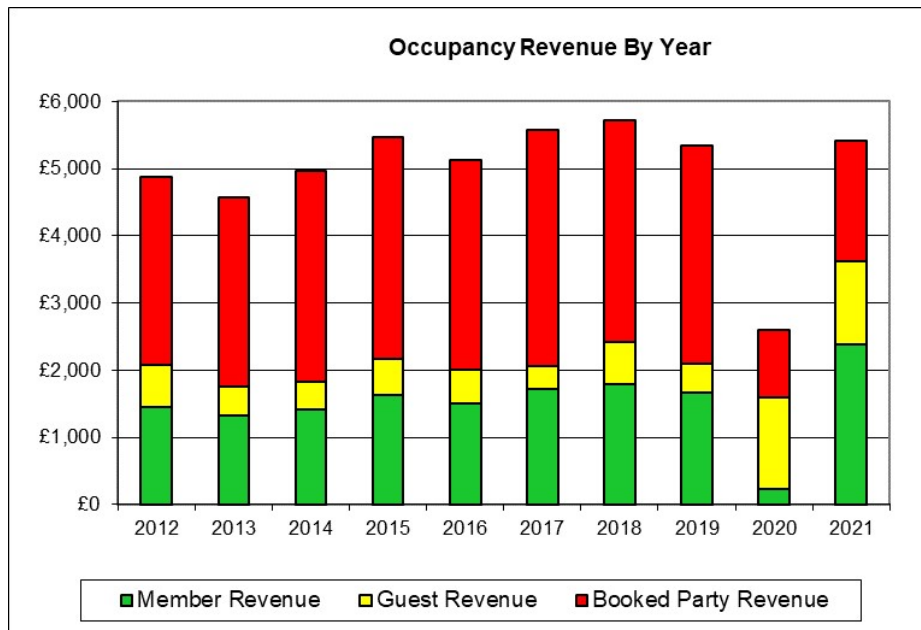
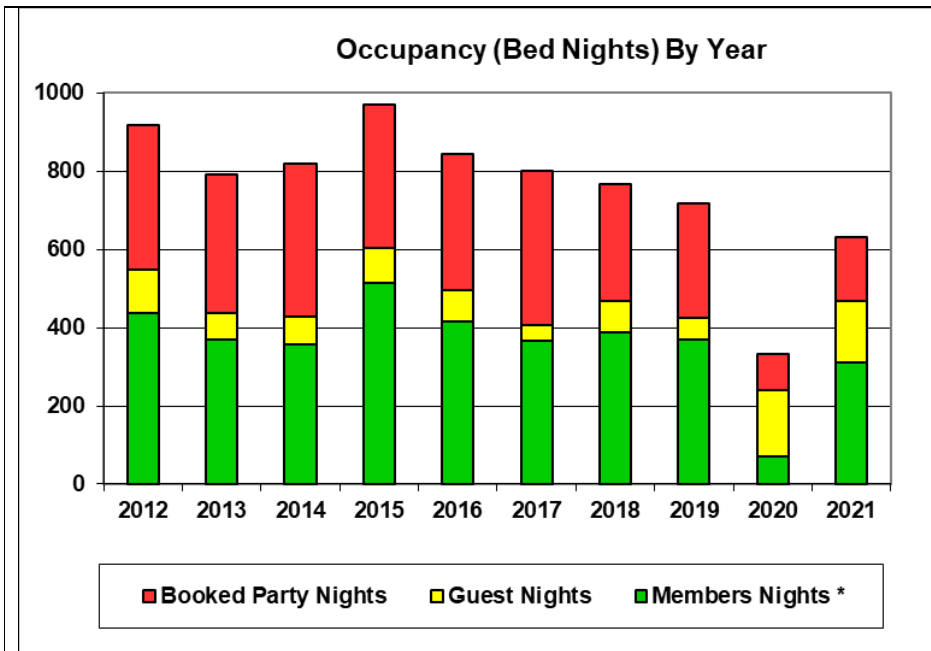
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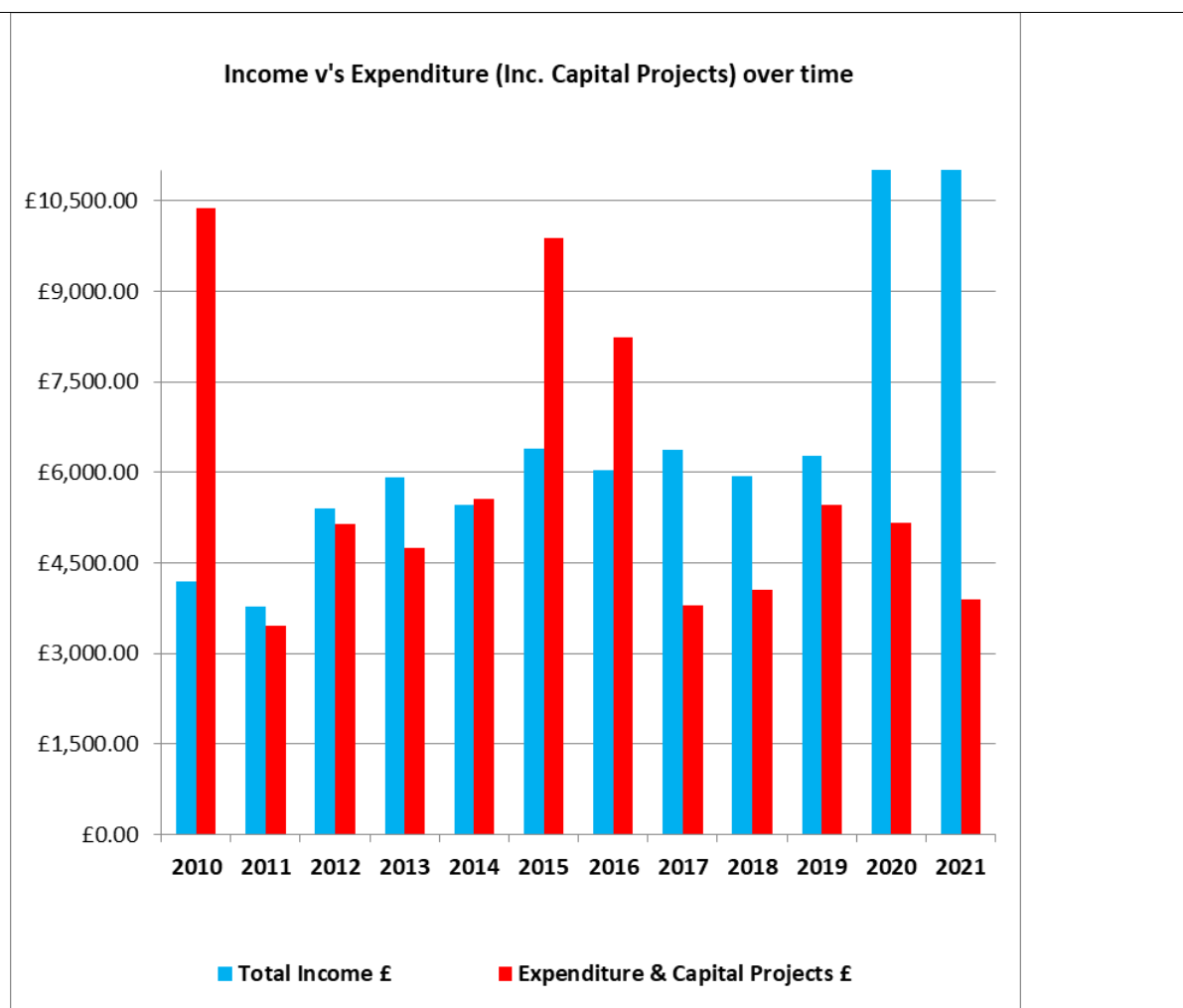
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	<b>Auditor's Report Cleveland Mountaineering Centre Accounts – 2020</b>	Issue Date	18 <sup>th</sup> February 2022
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## 1.0 ACCOUNTS

The accounts audited are:

HSBC Community Account	40-35-03	71486144
HSBC Community Savings Account	40-35-03	21486152

This Audit covers the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021 and was carried out by Ben Pearce on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

## 2.0 SUMMARY

The Auditor found the accounts to be in good order with sufficient information to complete the audit.

2021 saw continued impact from the COVID-19 pandemic which impacted the whole period to a greater, or lesser, extent as the COVID 'rules' changed. As use of the hut became possible so it seemed people were keen to make use of it. A 'sole use' arrangement was put in place so that the whole hut could be booked by members at a minimum rate of £24/night to cover heating costs. Overall the hut saw substantially more use than in 2020 and, although bed nights were lower than in 2019, the revenue was similar.

Fixed costs were reduced where possible, such as cancellation of the refuse collection service, but the majority, such as insurance and PAT Testing, had to be paid in full. Eden district Council reduced the rates and there was also a refund for previous overcharging of electricity. It is noted that energy process increased significantly towards the end of 2021 and this will be reflected in higher costs for 2022.

Maintenance work continued where lockdowns permitted and some costs were incurred. Principle amongst the repairs was the replacement of the toilets and repair of the male toilet floor.

Of particular significance further grants were offered by the Lottery and Eden District Council to help small businesses through the COVID-19 disruptions. The Lottery grant of £9,600 is specifically for the repairs to the kitchen roof and kitchen refurbishment. The other grants will be used for improvements to the hut as agreed between the Hut Trustees and the CMC, represented by the Committee.

The Auditor found nothing untoward with operation of the Bank Accounts. This statement is specifically included as the accounts have a sole signatory.

## 3.0 AUDITOR'S CHECKLIST

3.1 *As well as the accounts summary sheet (published with AGM papers) has the supporting data been provided (accounts worksheet)?*

Yes. Spread sheets were provided for the audit together with electronic (scanned) copies of all bank statements and a selection of receipts requested by the Auditor. The auditor checked a representative selection of receipts and bank statement details against the spread sheet and found all to be in good order.

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3.2 *Does the opening balance agree with last year's closing balance?*

Yes, for the both the current account and the savings account.

3.3 *Do expenditure and income figures add up correctly?*

Yes, for both accounts.

3.4 *Is expenditure supported by receipts? If not what % of expenditure is unreceipted?*

The Auditor reviewed a selection of the receipts with a focus on the more significant spend e.g. the toilet improvement works, electricity and coal. All was found to be in order and, given time constraints, the Auditor did not feel it necessary to sum all of the receipts to determine the percentage of receipted expenditure.

3.5 *Have all bank statements for the year been provided and do they agree with the records?*

Yes. Bank statements have been provided and agree with the spread sheets.

3.6 *Have any unusual items or deviations from the norm been investigated?*

There were no exceptions or deviations considered unusual, apart from the Lottery and Eden Valley Council grants which do not need investigation.

3.7 *Has the Charity closed any accounts during the year and if so has the closing balance been transferred and recorded correctly?*

No accounts have been closed in the period.

3.8 *Has all the information and explanations necessary to carry out the audit been supplied?*

Yes, full details and records were provided.

#### **4.0 CHARITY COMMISSION SUBMISSION**

4.1 *Has the Trustees' Annual report been prepared?*

Yes, the report has been prepared and a copy provided for review.