



Friends of Rye Harbour Nature Reserve	269535
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01-Apr-20	To	31-Mar-21
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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 & Legacies	95,538	3,694	-	99,232	68,174
Membership Subscriptions	24,774	-	-	24,774	25,693
Trading Receipts	469	-	-	469	18,657
Events	-	-	-	-	991
Rental Income	1,000	-	-	1,000	1,000
Sundry Income	1,457	-	-	1,457	551
Interest Received	1,804	-	-	1,804	4,787
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	125,042	3,694	-	128,736	119,853
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	125,042	3,694	-	128,736	119,853
A3 Payments					
Reserve Projects	11,590	-	-	11,590	4,750
Discovery Centre Project	100,000	6,194	-	106,194	316,974
Warden Salary Contribution	31,000	-	-	31,000	31,000
Warden Accommodation Contribution	-	-	-	-	2,750
Cost of Traded Goods	-	-	-	-	6,474
Cost of Events	-	-	-	-	711
Newsletter Costs	2,218	-	-	2,218	2,414
Insurances	1,946	-	-	1,946	-
Legal & Professional	1,260	-	-	1,260	3,026
Sundry Expenses	343	-	-	343	1,178
Sub total	148,357	6,194	-	154,551	369,277
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	148,357	6,194	-	154,551	369,277
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 23,315	- 2,500	-	- 25,815	- 249,424
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	231,041	7,500	-	238,541	487,965
Cash funds this year end	207,726	5,000	-	212,726	238,541

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 Current Account	19,464	5,000	-
	Paypal & Cash	525	-	-
	Deposit Accounts	187,737	-	-
	Total cash funds	207,726	5,000	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Trading Stock	4,555	-	-
	Prepayments	327	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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)
	Freehold Property	Unrestricted	-	500,000
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Accruals	Unrestricted	1,090	< 1 year
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Michael John Russell	24/01/2022	
		Clifford Hugh Dean	24/01/2022	



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	04	2020		31	03	2021

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name Friends of Rye Harbour Nature Reserve

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 269535

Charity's principal address School House, Coastguard Lane

Fairlight

East Sussex

Postcode

TN35 4AB

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	Mr C H Dean	Chairman		
2	Mr A J L Barnes	Vice Chairman		
3	Mr J E Trowell	Secretary		
4	Mr M J Russell	Treasurer		
5	Mr J Willsher			
6	Mr P F Bonham			
7	Ms S Morgan			
8	Mrs C Emmitt			
9	Mr P E Jones			
10	Mr J Baker			
11	Mrs L M Wren		20/8/2020 to 31/3/2021	
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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)	Trust Deed, referred to as a constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Unincorporated association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by existing Board of Trustees, appointments ratified and reappointments confirmed by The Charity's members at the Annual General Meeting

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.

Section C

Objectives and activities

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

The objects of The Charity shall be to further the charitable purposes of Rye Harbour Nature Reserve, including assisting the management of The Reserve through voluntary work and contributions, fundraising by way of subscription and activities, organising local publicity for The Reserve, recruiting members to support The Reserve, co-operating with relevant local bodies and authorities and taking any other measures considered to be in the interests of The Reserve.

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)

The activities organised by the Charity and the facilities introduced or improved as a result of financial or other assistance provided by the Charity enhance the public's appreciation and enjoyment of the nature reserve in particular and wildlife and wild places in general.

In line with the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, The Charity regularly reviews its objectives and achievements in order to ensure that the guidelines are complied with.

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

Construction work on the new Rye Harbour Discovery Centre, which began in March 2019, continued throughout the year and the building was essentially complete by the year-end. However ongoing Covid-19 related restrictions prevented its opening to the public until May 2021.

Previously-unforeseen expenditure on a new services trench increased the project cost significantly during the year and in the light of this The Friends of Rye Harbour Nature Reserve made a further contribution towards the project of £100,000 during the year.

Whilst the Discovery Centre is a Sussex Wildlife Trust project in the first instance, the Friends have been major donors and remain closely involved in the development and the future operation of the Centre.

The Friends made a contribution of £31,000 towards the salaries of nature reserve staff in line with previous years, and contributed a further £11,590 to fund the replacement of one of the Reserve's vehicles.

Due to Covid-19 lockdown measures and other related restrictions, no visitor facilities were provided on the Reserve during the year. As a result The Friends were in receipt of no income from retail activities during the year. This has however had no material effect on the Charity's income, its cash reserves or its ability to continue to fulfil its objectives.

**Brief statement of the charity's
policy on reserves**

The charity will endeavour to maintain reserves for the following purposes and in the following sums:

- (a) As a provision against falling regular income an amount equating to six months' regular outgoings, currently assessed at: £20,000
- (b) As a provision for future unknown and unspecified capital projects around Rye Harbour Nature Reserve: £80,000

and in addition to this:

- (c) Any amounts of restricted income currently not expended on its specified purpose.
- (d) In terms of expenditure, the charity will always endeavour to ensure that its regular outgoings are restricted to an amount covered by regular income. Nature Reserve projects will be funded from reserves from time to time as approved by the trustees on a case-by-case basis.

**Details of any funds materially in
deficit**

None

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.

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)	Clifford Hugh Dean	Michael John Russell
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairman	Treasurer

Date 24 January 2022

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Friends of Rye Harbour Nature Reserve
For the Accounts Year Ended 31 March 2021**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Friends of Rye Harbour Nature Reserve for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity 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 Trustee's accounts (which comprise the receipts and payments accounts and statement of assets and liabilities) 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 2011 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

S.R. Sampson BFP FCA FCIE DChA
For and on behalf of Ashdown Hurrey Auditors Limited
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Date: 26 January 2022