



Friends of Rye Harbour Nature Reserve	269535
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01-Apr-21	To	31-Mar-22
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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	40,661	1,070	-	41,731	99,232
Membership Subscriptions	27,638	-	-	27,638	24,774
Trading Receipts	8,125	-	-	8,125	469
Events	2,036	-	-	2,036	-
Rental Income	1,000	-	-	1,000	1,000
Sundry Income	615	-	-	615	1,457
Interest Received	1,205	-	-	1,205	1,804
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for A1)	81,280	1,070	-	82,350	128,736
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	81,280	1,070	-	82,350	128,736
A3 Payments					
Reserve Projects	12,848	-	-	12,848	11,590
Discovery Centre Project	-	6,070	-	6,070	106,194
Salary Contribution	51,000	-	-	51,000	31,000
Promotional Expenses	1,207	-	-	1,207	-
Cost of Traded Goods	6,780	-	-	6,780	-
Cost of Events	255	-	-	255	-
Newsletter Costs	2,404	-	-	2,404	2,218
Insurances	2,060	-	-	2,060	1,946
Legal & Professional	1,260	-	-	1,260	1,260
Sundry Expenses	334	-	-	334	343
Sub total	78,148	6,070	-	84,218	154,551
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	78,148	6,070	-	84,218	154,551
Net of receipts/(payments)	3,132	- 5,000	-	- 1,868	- 25,815
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	207,726	5,000	-	212,726	238,541
Cash funds this year end	210,858	-	-	210,858	212,726

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	22,389	-	-
	Paypal & Cash	231	-	-
	Deposit Accounts	188,238	-	-
	Total cash funds	210,858	-	-
	(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 £
	Trading Stock	2,388	-	-
	Debtors	252	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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	-	750,000
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Accruals	Unrestricted	1,100	<1 year
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Michael John Russell	04/11/2022	
		Clifford Hugh Dean	04/11/2022	



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	04	2021		31	03	2022

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 Baker	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 E Trowell			
11	Mrs L M Wren			
12	Mr J Tomlinson		20/09/21 to 31/03/22	
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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**

Following the lifting of most Covid-19 related restrictions the new Discovery Centre on the reserve finally opened to the public in May 2021.

In terms of visitor numbers and revenues generated the Centre has exceeded expectations, and has led to an increase in Friends membership to above pre-pandemic levels. Additionally, the Friends have been able to resume trading in branded goods through the Discovery Centre and other local outlets.

The Discovery Centre now provides a home for the Friends' indoor activities, including a new programme of monthly Friends Days, and serves as a base for a programme of outdoor guided walks.

The Friends made a contribution of £31,000 towards the salaries of nature reserve staff in line with previous years, and an additional one-off contribution of £20,000 towards a fill-in post for a member of administrative staff who has moved into an educational role.

Additionally The Friends contributed £12,848 towards various projects around the reserve during the year, including £6,000 towards fencing for the protection of nesting birds.

**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: £25,000
- (b) As a provision for future unknown and unspecified capital projects around Rye Harbour Nature Reserve: £75,000

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	4 November 2022	

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Friends of Rye Harbour Nature Reserve
For the Accounts Year Ended 31 March 2022**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Friends of Rye Harbour Nature Reserve for the year ended 31 March 2022.

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: 10 November 2022