Steyning Downland Scheme

Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

Background

In the spring of 2006, Harry and Pip Goring, owners of the Wiston Estate, made a momentous decision: to entrust a stretch of their land on the edge of Steyning to the local community for care and stewardship. The enthusiasm was immediate and the Steyning Downland Scheme (SDS) was born. By 2009 the organisation had achieved charitable status, and in spring 2026 the Scheme reaches its twentieth anniversary.

Today the SDS looks after some 69 hectares (170 acres) within the South Downs National Park. While the land and its wildlife are precious, so too are the people who tend it. Our volunteers form a small army of committed individuals whose friendships, skills and dedication enrich many lives as well as the landscape itself.

"The hope is to foster a meeting of different minds and people, coming together in the pursuit of seeing the everyday miracle of creation."

— Richard Goring, Chair of the Trustees

Legal & Administrative

Registered Address

First Floor, 53 High Street, Steyning, West Sussex BN44 3RE.

Trustees

Richard Goring, Chair
Andrew Armitage
Graham Broad
Sarah Lavery
Maeve Whitchurch (from July 2025)

Staff

Matthew Thomas, Project Manager (three days a week)
Bethany Priest (three days a week)

Volunteers

The Board of Trustees/Directors has been assisted by seven groups of local people whose enthusiasm, commitment and activity continue to be invaluable. 100 members of the local community over the year, covering a diverse range of tasks including cattle lookering, practical conservation, site maintenance, wildlife surveying, event stewarding and engaging with dog walkers.

Bankers

Unity Trust Bank plc, Nine Brindleyplace, Birmingham, B1 2HB.

Independent Examiner

Paul Kirkbride FCCA, 23 Thatchers Close, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 5TL.

Policies

The charity maintains a range of policies, including those on Safeguarding, Health & Safety, Lone Working, Data Protection and Equal Opportunities. During the year the Trustees adopted a new Sexual Harassment policy (see Strategy & Development).

Objects

The charity's objects (the "Objects") are specifically restricted to the following, in each case covering the geographical area of East and West Sussex, the South Downs National Park and the City of Brighton and Hove:

- To promote the education and study of all matters relating to conservation and the environment
- To enable and encourage conservation of the natural resources and habitats for the benefit of the public
- To educate and encourage the general public, and local young people in particular, in an understanding of the natural environment

- In the context of the objects in clauses 3(a) – (c) above, to work in accordance with the moral principles and the spirit of love that authenticates the Christian faith, and in a manner which demonstrates Christian stewardship of the environment. For the purposes of these objects 'Christian faith' means the Christian faith as revealed and expressed in the Holy Scriptures of both old and new testaments.

Conservation & Land Management



Monitoring the water quality of our chalk stream

Conservation Management Group (CMG)

The CMG, chaired by the Project Manager and made up of volunteers with countryside-management experience together with a South Downs National Park Countryside Ranger, continued to translate the 2024–34 Management Plan into practical action and to oversee health and safety and the provision of tools and equipment.

In April, after careful consideration and with some reluctance, the CMG agreed to the limited use of glyphosate to control Dogwood and Wayfaring Tree on Pepperscoombe, where mechanical control had not proved effective. The herbicide was applied by a contractor working for the South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA) using a weed-wiper rather than a spray, so that only the target shrubs were treated.

In March 2026, SDNPA funding enabled us to purchase our own Bluebird remote-controlled flail mower, which will considerably speed up scrub control on the chalk grassland and improve our summer management of paths and woodland rides. The funding also covered an electric hedge cutter and two new harnesses for bramble clump control.

Later in the summer we began working with the Ouse and Adur Rivers Trust to monitor the water quality of the chalk stream which runs through the Rifle Range. Chalk streams are an internationally rare habitat and under threat from water pollution. OART kindly donated equipment which enabled us to carry out regular water quality monitoring through the year. Initial results indicate our stream is generally free from pollutants other than Nitrogen, which is high.

Conservation Volunteers

The regular Conservation Volunteer team continued to meet twice monthly throughout the year on the first Wednesday and third Saturday of each month. Attendance averaged around a dozen willing volunteers, with different people able to attend on Saturdays and Wednesdays.

In January and February the team resumed the rotational cutting of Blackthorn within the Brown Hairstreak Reserve, maintaining the varied structure on which our Brown Hairstreak butterfly population depends. Additional knee pads, helmets and gauntlets were purchased to protect volunteers from the Blackthorn's spikes.



A tree popper in action

Tree poppers, kindly donated by a volunteer, were used to pull Invading Blackthorn suckers out by the roots on the Rifle Range, avoiding the grass-height stumps left by cutting that can trip visitors.

A very dry spring meant that the 14 disease-resistant elm saplings planted in Wylie's Field in February 2025, donated by Wakehurst Place/Kew, needed regular watering. Thanks to one dedicated volunteer, the trees were watered and monitored throughout, and all 14 survived into late summer, when rain began to fall again.

In July the team built a reptile hibernaculum in Wylie's Field: a mound of soil, logs and grass roughly 6 metres by 2.5 metres (20ft by 8ft) in which Adders and other reptiles can shelter over winter (see Reptiles & Amphibians).



Building the reptile hibernaculum

Conservation Volunteers Lite (CV Lite)

CV Lite, our collaborative programme with West Sussex Mind, provided a gentler conservation option for people managing mental or physical health issues. The programme had three aims: to support recovery from mental health issues, to reduce local stigma around mental health, and to deliver meaningful conservation outcomes.

Attendance at CV Lite from the beginning of the year continued to increase to an average of about 8 people but repeated cancellations each month due to inclement weather caused momentum to stall in the second half of the year. At the same time West Sussex Mind experienced a staff reorganisation which meant that they could not offer the same level of support as previously. For these reasons we decided to plan for a relaunch of a weekly version of the programme in the spring of 2026.

Maintenance Group



Fitting a new oak pedestrian gate, kindly donated by Barracuda Shop Fitting

The Maintenance Group increased to 9 recently retired individuals with a high degree of dedication and plenty of camaraderie. They continued to meet at least twice weekly and had a busy and varied year.

In April the group set up a trail camera at the Bostal Road lay-by to deter fly-tipping, levelled animal drinking troughs and fitted them with shut-off valves to ease future

maintenance, and checked fence posts in the Big Picnic Field, Rifle Range, Steyning Coombe and Pepperscoombe to ensure they were safe for cattle grazing. They also fitted two new oak pedestrian gates kindly donated by a local business; repairing and replacing gates is a constant task across the land.



Perch captured from our dipping pond

Vandalism remained a persistent problem and took some unusual forms. In May we discovered that someone had been releasing Perch (*Perca fluviatilis*) into the small children's dipping pond behind the Gateway. Perch feed on the invertebrates and other pond life that the dipping pond is intended to support, so the team removed the fish and rehomed them in a pond off site.

Over the summer the team continued last year's work to tackle leaks in the bed of the main pond, using bags of bentonite clay, which swells to around ten times its dry volume when wet.

At the main pond, the dog splash fence, which separates an area where dogs can bathe from the rest of the wildlife pond, was repeatedly damaged; it has now been strengthened and secured. The liner of the same pond was also cut, but the team



Enjoying a dip in the dog splash

managed to repair it. In July CCTV cameras were installed on the Gateway building to monitor activity around it.

Historic England contacted us regarding the Scheduled Ancient Monument (SAM) that crosses the mountain biking area, asking that it be cleared of vegetation, protected by a dead hedge and accompanied by a sign explaining its historic interest. Following a meeting with Historic England representatives, a course of action was agreed and the SAM was cleared of invading vegetation in December.

It has been wonderful to see the group working together so well and building real friendships across markedly different backgrounds, including supporting members with differing health needs so that everyone can take a full part in the work.

Grazing & Livestock Management

As reported last year, the Grazing Summit held in March 2025 concluded that our grazing arrangements needed to change. During the spring the difficulties with the Dexter herd continued: a lack of available stock left our chalk grassland under-grazed and increasingly invaded by Tor grass. The Rifle Range, Steyning Coombe and Pepperscoombe do not currently meet the standard required under our Stewardship Agreement, which is due for renewal in 2026.



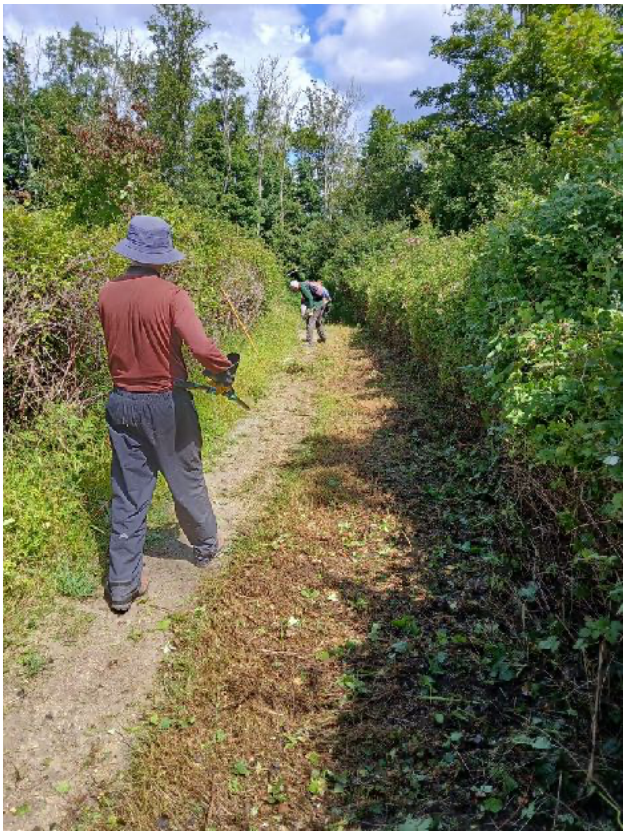
Our team of botany surveyors have noticed an increase in Tor grass cover in recent years

We therefore moved our grazing to the Sussex Wildlife Trust (SWT), whose larger herd of traditional Sussex cattle already grazes neighbouring fields on the Wiston Estate and can be adjusted in number far more flexibly. The SWT grazier is confident that all SDS grassland sites can be grazed adequately without compromising SWT's other commitments. In June we arranged a training meeting between the SWT grazier and our team of seven lookerers, who monitor the herd and report to the grazier. The Dexters left us in July and the Sussex cattle arrived in early autumn 2025. We were sorry to see the Dexters go and are grateful for the partnership we enjoyed with their grazier.

Rights of Way (RoW) & Woodlands

Keeping footpaths and bridleways open was again a summer priority for the Conservation Volunteers, with particular focus on the Upper and Lower Horseshoe paths, which quickly became overgrown after heavy rain in late summer.

In the woodlands, ash dieback remains an ongoing and serious problem. Over the winter, dead ash trees that had succumbed to the disease frequently collapsed across fences and footpaths and had to be cut up and removed using hand tools. A clear Risk Assessment was devised to ensure that volunteers were not put in danger while carrying out this work.



Keeping footpaths clear

Building on last year's priority of restoring our over-stood Hazel coppice, in January we began reintroducing coppicing to the old Hazel stools along the Upper Horseshoe bridleway. The work yielded around 100 bean poles, which were sold in bunches of five at the Steyning Farmers' Market in March, with all profits used to buy new tools and equipment for the volunteers. Surplus poles were woven into a hurdle fence for Southdown Nursery.



Selling bean poles and Cowslips at Steyning Farmers Market

Data (surveys & monitoring)

Bats

We were unable to run regular bat monitoring this year because of the cost of purchasing sufficient bat monitors. However, we were able to run two very popular "bat walk for beginner" walks, attended by 41 people, using bat detectors kindly loaned by the Lost Woods project.

Birds

This was the fourteenth consecutive year of structured bird surveys, following the same fixed routes and methodology as in previous years, with results submitted to BirdTrack (the RSPB/BTO national database). During the year we recorded 70 species, one more than last year. Highlights included Pied Flycatcher, Firecrest, Nightingale, Cuckoo and Grey Wagtail on the pond.



Firecrest deep in vegetation on the Rifle Range (photo: Colin & Janet Holter)

Botany

Our lead volunteer, recruited last year, continued the 1m² indicator quadrat surveys of our species-rich chalk grassland in spring, early summer and late summer, with a good turnout of up to 15 volunteers on each occasion. The results show that Tor grass continues to be a challenge, particularly on the north facing slopes.

We were concerned about the success rate of the Juniper translocation that took place in the winter of 2024/25, due to the exceptionally dry spring and the thin, chalk soils at the translocation site. At the time of writing it seems that at least one plant has translocated successfully and we will continue to monitor the area through 2026.

Butterflies

SDS has now monitored butterflies on the site for ten years using standard Butterfly Conservation transect methods. Data from 2015 is too sparse to be of use, but from 2016 onwards species counts are summed across all transects and dates to estimate the annual total for each species. Each species' 2025 total is then compared with its 2016–2024 average to indicate this year's trend.

The overall picture is that butterfly numbers on the SDS are relatively constant from year to year, but that each year there are "winners" and "losers". In 2025, species recorded in above average numbers were:

Small Skipper, Large Skipper, Dingy Skipper, Green Hairstreak, Small Copper, Common Blue, Brown Argus, Speckled Wood, Wall, Gatekeeper, Marbled White, Meadow Brown, Small Heath, Comma, Large White, Small White and Green-veined White.



Wall Brown did well in 2025/26 (photo: John Woodward)

Species recorded in below-average numbers were; Essex Skipper, Grizzled Skipper, Purple Hairstreak, Holly Blue, Small Blue, Ringlet, Red Admiral, Painted Lady, Dark Green Fritillary, Silver-washed Fritillary, Small Tortoiseshell and Duke of Burgundy.

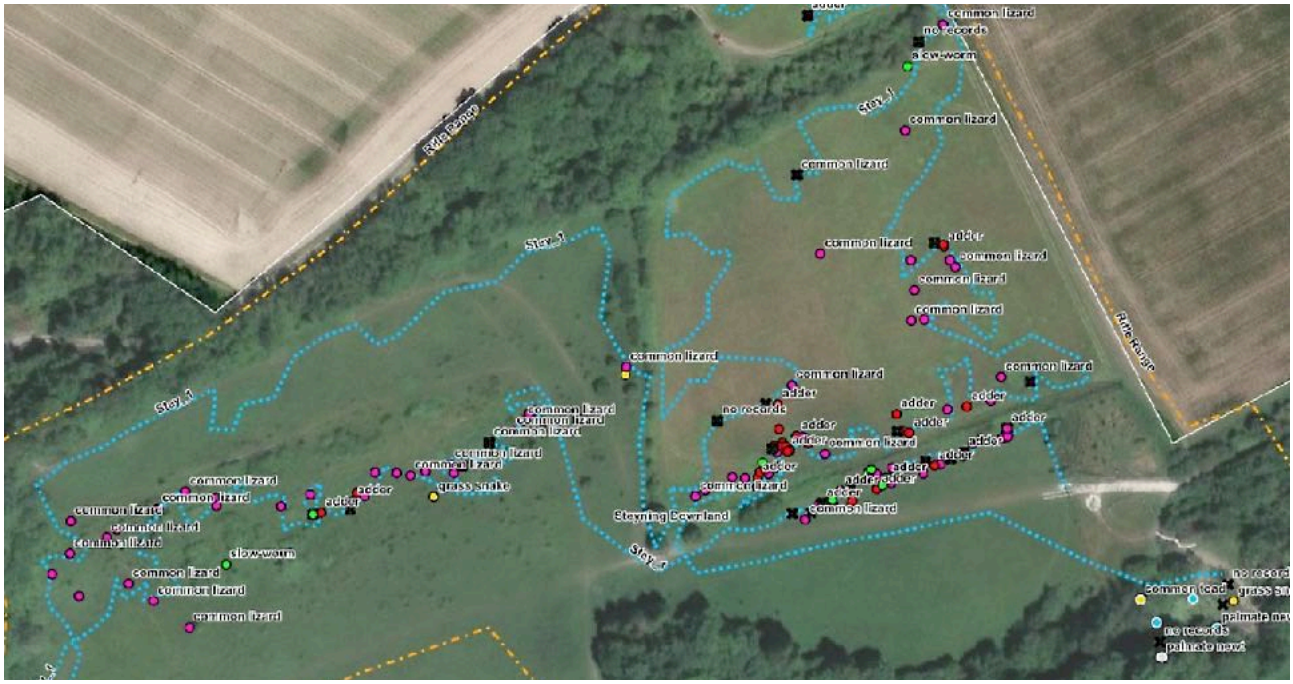
Due to a low captive breeding success the planned introduction of Black-veined White butterfly onto the Rifle Range was postponed to spring 2027. We understand that Knepp are organising an expedition to northern Spain to capture more butterflies, in the hope of a better breeding year through 2026.

Reptiles & Amphibians

Healthy numbers of Adders continued to be recorded across the Rifle Range and Wylie's Field, including the rare melanistic (black) form. Early spring was the highlight of the

year, with a fantastic start to the survey season and our highest counts of Adders on site to date. Most Adders were recorded in, or along the southern edge of, Wylie's Field, indicating the continuing success of the rewilding of this area.

The new hibernaculum is a particularly welcome addition. Wylie's Field was arable until relatively recently and probably lacks natural hibernation sites such as rabbit burrows and root systems; the hibernaculum should provide safe overwintering and, we hope, year-round shelter in very hot or cold weather.
The highest counts of each species on a single two-hour survey during 2025 were seven Adders, six Common Lizards, six Slow-worms and two Grass Snakes. A total of 18 Adder records were made over the year.



Reptile occurrence mapping in summer 2025



A black Adder

Public Engagement

Team & Tools

The Public Engagement Group's remit remains to deepen our connection with the local community through events, signage, leaflets, social media, the Friends initiative and targeted communications.

Building on the online ordering platform introduced last year, we launched a new volunteer uniform in our new brand colours, comprising long- and short-sleeved T-shirts and a dark green fleece. Items can be ordered online through Yazzoo at personalised.clothing/Steyning-Downland-Scheme, with SDS subsidising 20% of the purchase price.

Work began on new interpretive signage to replace our original oak signs, which are falling apart through age and rubbing by cattle. The new signs will be made of steel by a local blacksmith; they will be far more robust and will cost less than a fifth of the price of wooden signage.

We also welcomed a new volunteer with video skills whose work has greatly enhanced our social media presence, with our number of followers on Instagram increasing tenfold to over 1,000

Outreach & Events

"Well organised, very informative. Mike had lots of useful information which he shared before and after the walk."

Between April and September we ran 20 public events (seven for young people and 13 for adults), which attracted 308 bookings and generated ticket sales of £1,967. A further 12 events had to be cancelled because of bad weather from midsummer, among them the Big Picnic planned for 13 September. We are especially grateful to Sarah Lavery (Trustee) for the considerable work she put into organising the Big Picnic, which we will try again in summer 2026.

Careful analysis by one of our events volunteers showed that most attendees were aged over 50 or under 17, with a marked gap in the 18–30 age range. We intend to address this in future by tailoring events and advertising to younger adults.



The Easter Egg Rollathon attracted a large crowd again this year

Friends & Supporters

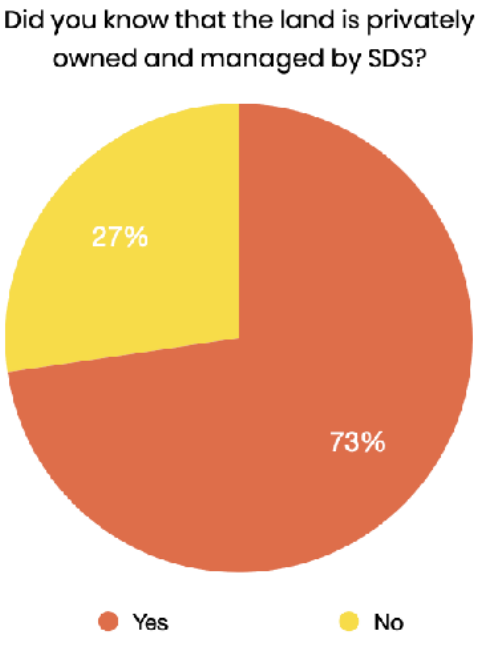
The Friends Reception in June was well received, with 18 people booked. Guests enjoyed home-made refreshments and a glass of Wiston wine before a tour of the old Rifle Range and its species-rich chalk grassland.

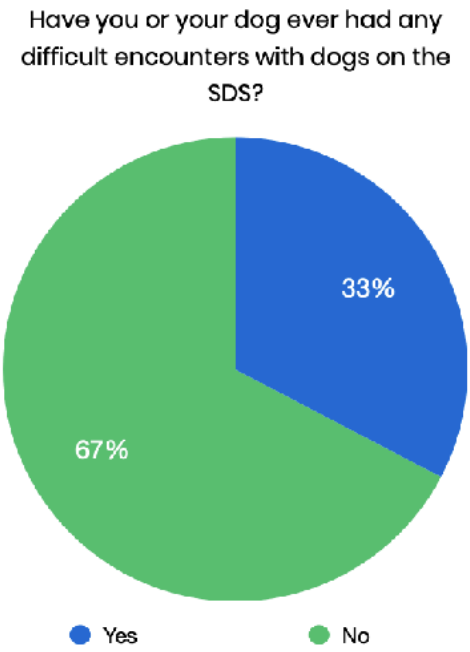
The Friends scheme now needs more focused attention, including correcting duplicate records on the database and ensuring that all Friends are aware that the minimum donation is now £3. Numbers of friends increased to 82 with total monthly donations increasing to £443 per month.

Arts & Volunteering Initiatives

The Dog Ambassadors scheme, relaunched in March 2025, went from strength to strength. There are now five Ambassadors, and over 100 questionnaires have been completed. The Ambassadors welcome people with dogs onto the land and explain the issues we face, including dog faeces on paths, dogs worrying animals and dogs swimming in the wildlife pond, and the data so far suggests awareness among dog owners is improving. The questionnaires found that over a quarter of dog walkers did

not realise the land is managed by SDS, and that a third had experienced difficult encounters with other dogs on the Downland:







Friends reception, Rifle Range, June 2025

Progress with the welcome sculpture planned for our Gateway entrance unfortunately stalled due to increased costs and a very busy year for 'Making it Out', the charity we had planned to work with to construct it. We plan to commence the project again with additional funding in 2026.

Young People

"My son had the best time proper old school no phones at one with nature he was proper dirty loved it."

Young people and intergenerational engagement remain central to our mission of bringing nature and people together.

Thanks to funding from Bohunt Academy and a local benefactor, we purchased an open-fronted horse shelter and separate stables, which were erected over the summer by the Maintenance Group on land immediately opposite our existing Gateway building. The shelter provides a base for youth activities when the weather is unsuitable for working outdoors, and the stables are used to store Bushcraft materials.



The new wet weather shelter



Through the spring and summer we organised a series of youth events including Archery, Bushcraft, an activity day in partnership with the local Parish Councils and a Countryside Day at Knepp, and at Christmas a wreath-making event for young people was held in the new shelter.

Pond dipping

Engaging with young people who use the site independently continues to present challenges. In May we had to dismantle a tree house that had been built on the land and was judged to be dangerous, after notices on site appealing to its builders produced no response. Balancing health and safety and our insurer's requirements with the flexibility needed to accommodate young people's activities remains a constant challenge.

Mountain Biking

Quarterly risk assessments of the mountain bike area continued; with our Project Manager meeting key volunteers who continued to maintain the area to a high standard and well signposted. Jump or track restoration continued, with a small excavator being used to demolish an unsafe jump and to replace it with a properly constructed track. Clearance of fallen ash also continued and we were able to report no serious accidents in the zone again this year.

The Scheduled Ancient Monument that crosses the mountain biking area was cleared of vegetation in December at the request of Historic England (see Maintenance Group).

Strategy & Development

Trustees & Steering Group

The Trustees met four times during the year. Early in the year they focused on budgets, as the cost of two part-time staff and other funding needs meant more resources were required. A plan was devised to increase visits by local schoolchildren through Bohunt, since each visit qualifies for Rural Payments Agency educational access funding that can support core costs.

In July we were pleased to welcome Maeve Whitchurch as a Trustee. Maeve brings particular expertise in safeguarding, which will be especially valuable for our work with young people and children.

The Trustees continued to develop and review policies as required, adopting a new Sexual Harassment policy and reviewing our Lone Working, Safeguarding and Data Protection policies.

The Steering Group, which brings Trustees and key volunteer team leaders together to review progress and strategy, met in May 2025 and February 2026. Topics included an "outdoor classroom" using a mobile horse shelter and stable near the Gateway, increasing visits by Bohunt, developing the Dog Ambassadors and building a reptile hibernaculum.

In September we were delighted to learn that the Wilson Memorial Trust, to which we applied last year, had agreed to donate £8,000 towards youth engagement equipment, on-site interpretation and an off-road vehicle. We were also awarded an £8,000 grant by the Sussex Community Foundation to build a dew pond on the Rifle Range.

Office & Infrastructure Plans

The principal infrastructure development this year was the horse shelter and stables beside the Gateway (see Young People).

Financial Review

The accounts show that spending increased to £73,094. The further increase from last year was mainly due to the construction of the new temporary buildings and the purchase of the Bluebird remote controlled rotary mower, in addition to increased materials and maintenance costs. Our total income for the year increased significantly to £100,606, although this figure is somewhat inflated by a large donation which was due last financial year. Accordingly the total unrestricted funds carried forward increased from the previous year to £64,496.

The overall financial position of the Scheme remains healthy, with the Trustees expressing no concerns, although further sources of income will become a priority in the year ahead as our costs continue to increase.

The continuing intention is that our longer term funding needs will be addressed by the expansion of our Friends Scheme, led by the Public Engagement Group, although improved publicity and carefully targeted promotion will be needed to increase Friends recruitment to a level where it is making a significant contribution to our overall costs. We will also continue with Trust fund applications to address larger, targeted initiatives.

Volunteers

Volunteers are the heart of SDS. Roles include the CMG, Conservation Volunteer teams, CV Lite participants, the Maintenance Group, data recorders (birds, botany, butterflies, moths and reptiles), lookerers (livestock monitors), Dog Ambassadors, event stewards, Friends' organisers and many practical helpers. We are immensely grateful for the skill, time and generosity they bring.



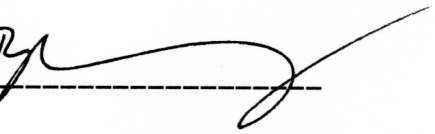
Looking Ahead (priorities for 2026-27)

In the coming year our first priority will be to steady our finances, in particular by developing new initiatives that benefit from Educational Access funding, including work with adults and children facing mental health challenges. We will expand our public engagement work through a stronger social media presence, and improve the way we recruit and "onboard" new volunteers, having found a high drop-off rate between people signing up and actually taking part.

We will also prepare for the renewal of our Stewardship Agreement in 2026 while monitoring the effect of the new Sussex Wildlife Trust grazing regime on scrub and Tor grass. In addition, we will make a second attempt at the Big Picnic, tailor events to attract more people aged 18 to 30, and bring the Friends database up to date.

The Trustees declare that they have approved the above Report and it is signed by the Chair on behalf of the Board.

Signed by the Chair of the Trustees of the Steyning Downland Scheme

Signature: 

Date: 5/11/2026

CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/directors/ members of (Charity Name): STEYNING DOWNLAND SCHEME LIMITED.

On accounts for the year ended: 31-3-26

Charity no.:	1132967	Company no.:	7946165

Set out on pages (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets):

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended (DD / MM / YYYY).

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited for this year under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the 2011 Act"). In carrying out my examination, I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

[The company's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [ ] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:	P. J. Kirkbride	**Date:**	2-7-26
Name:	PAUL JONATHAN KIRKBRIDE		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	FELLOW CHARTERED CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANT FCCA		
Address:	23 THATCHERS CLOSE HORSHAM WEST SUSSEX RH12 5TL		

Section B Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

STEYNING DOWNLAND SCHEME LIMITED	Charity No	1132957
	Company No	6946165

Annual accounts for the period

Period start date	1-4-25	To	Period end date	31-3-26

Section A Statement of financial activities (including summary income and expenditure account)

Recommended categories by activity	Balance	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year funds
		£	£	£	£	£
Income (Note 3)		F01	F02	F03	F04	F05
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	S01	47,916	47,403	-	95,319	23,116
Charitable activities	S02	4,489	180	-	4,669	2,624
Other trading activities	S03	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	S04	-	-	-	-	-
Separate material item of income	S05	-	-	-	-	-
Other	S06	618	-	-	618	-
Total	S07	53,023	47,583	-	100,606	25,740
Expenditure (Notes 6)						
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	S08	1,685	-	-	1,685	957
Charitable activities	S09	56,426	14,983	-	71,409	59,032
Separate material expense item	S10					
Other	S11	-	-	-	-	-
Total	S12	58,111	14,983	-	73,094	59,989
Net income/(expenditure) before tax for the reporting period	S13	- 5,088	32,600	-	27,512	- 34,249
Tax payable	S14	-	-	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure) after tax before investment gains/(losses)	S15	- 5,088	32,600	-	27,512	- 34,249
Net gains/(losses) on investments	S16	-	-	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure)	S17	- 5,088	32,600	-	27,512	- 34,249
Extraordinary items	S18	-	-	-	-	
Transfers between funds	S19	-	-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains/(losses):						
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use	S20	-	-	-	-	-
Other gains/(losses)	S21	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	S22	- 5,088	32,600	-	27,512	- 34,249
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward	S23	34,895	2,089	-	36,984	71,233
Total funds carried forward	S24	29,807	34,689	-	64,496	36,984

STEYNING DOWNLAND SCHEME	Charity No	1132957
	Company No	6946165

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Section B Balance sheet

		Guidance note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total this year £	Total last year £
Fixed assets			F01	F02	F03	F04	F05
Intangible assets	(Note 15)	B01	-	-	-	-	-
Tangible assets	(Note 14)	B02	1,518	-	-	1,518	2,277
Heritage assets	(Note 16)	B03	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	(Note 17)	B04	-	-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets		B05	1,518	-	-	1,518	2,277
Current assets							
Stocks	(Note 18)	B06	-	-	-	-	-
Debtors	(Note 19)	B07	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	(Note 17.4)	B08	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	(Note 24)	B09	62,977	-	-	62,977	34,707
Total current assets		B10	62,977	-	-	62,977	34,707
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(Note 20)	B11	-	-	-	-	-
Net current assets/(liabilities)		B12	62,977	-	-	62,977	34,707
Total assets less current liabilities		B13	64,495	-	-	64,495	36,984
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	(Note 20)	B14	-	-	-	-	-
Provisions for liabilities		B15	-	-	-	-	-
Total net assets or liabilities		B16	64,495	-	-	64,495	36,984
Funds of the Charity							
Endowment funds (Note 27)		B17	-			-	-
Restricted income funds (Note 27)		B18		34,688		34,688	2,089
Unrestricted funds		B19	29,807		-	29,807	34,984
Revaluation reserve		B20				-	
Fair value reserve		B21					
Total funds		B22	29,807	34,688	-	64,495	37,073

The company was entitled to exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with respect to

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP.

Signed by one or two trustees/directors on behalf of all the trustees/directors	Print Name	Date of approval dd/
	RICHARD GORING	5/11/2026

Signature of director authenticating accounts being sent to Companies House	Signature	Date dd/mm/yyyy
	RICHARD GORING	5/11/2026
		Print name

Section C	Notes to the accounts

Note 1 **Basis of preparation**

This section should be completed by all charities.

1.1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with:

• and with*	✓	the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014
• and with*	✓	the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)

• and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.*	✓

* -Tick as appropriate

1.2 Going concern

If there are material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, please provide the following details or state "Not applicable", if appropriate:

An explanation as to those factors that support the conclusion that the charity is a going concern;	*NOT APPLICABLE*
Disclosure of any uncertainties that make the going concern assumption doubtful;	*NOT APPLICABLE*
Where accounts are not prepared on a going concern basis, please disclose this fact together with the basis on which the trustees prepared the accounts and the reason why the charity is not regarded as a going concern.	*NOT APPLICABLE*

1.3 Change of accounting policy

The accounts present a true and fair view and no changes have been made to the accounting policies adopted in note { }.

Yes*	✓	* -Tick as appropriate
No*		

Please disclose:

(i) the nature of the change in accounting policy;	
(ii) the reasons why applying the new accounting policy provides more reliable and more relevant information; and	

(iii) the amount of the adjustment for each line affected in the current period, each prior period presented and the aggregate amount of the adjustment relating to periods before those presented, 3.44 FRS102 SORP.	

1.4 Changes to accounting estimates

No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period (3.46 FRS102 SORP).

Yes*		* -Tick as appropriate
No*	✓	

Please disclose:

(i) the nature of any changes;	
(ii) the effect of the change on income and expense or assets and liabilities for the current period; and	
(iii) where practicable, the effect of the change in one or more future periods.	

1.5 Material prior year errors

No material prior year error have been identified in the reporting period (3.47 FRS102 SORP).

Yes*		* -Tick as appropriate
No*	✓	

Please disclose:

(i) the nature of the prior period error;	
(ii) for each prior period presented in the accounts, the amount of the correction for each account line item affected; and	
(iii) the amount of the correction at the beginning of the earliest prior period presented in the accounts.	

Section C	Notes to the accounts	(cont)

Note 2 Accounting policies

This standard list of accounting policies has been applied by the charity except for those deleted. Where a different or additional policy has been adopted then this is detailed in the box below.

2.1 RECONCILIATION WITH PREVIOUS GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRACTICE

Please provide a description of the nature of each change in accounting policy	

Reconciliation of funds per previous GAAP to funds determined under FRS 102

	Start of period	End of period
	£	£
Fund balances as previously stated		
Adjustments:		
Fund balance as restated		

Reconciliation of net income/(net expenditure) per previous GAAP to net income/(net expenditure) under FRS 102

	End of £
Net income/(expenditure) as previously stated	
Adjustments:	
Previous period net income/(expenditure) as restated	

Section C	Notes to the accounts	(cont)		
Note 2	Accounting policies			
2.2 INCOME				
Recognition of income	These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when: • the charity becomes entitled to the resources; • it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; • the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.	Yes* ✓	No*	N/a*
Offsetting	There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.	Yes* ✓	No*	N/a*
Grants and donations	Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP).	Yes* ✓	No*	N/a*
	In the case of performance related grants, income must only be recognised to the extent that the charity has provided the specified goods or services as entitlement to the grant only occurs when the performance related conditions are met (5.16 FRS 102 SORP).	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
Legacies	Legacies are included in the SOFA when receipt is probable, that is, when there has been grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
Government grants	The charity has received government grants in the reporting period	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
Tax reclaims on donations and gifts	Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.	Yes* ✓	No*	N/a*
Contractual income and performance related grants	This is only included in the SoFA once the charity has provided the related goods or services or met the performance related conditions.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
Donated goods	Donated goods are measured at fair value (the amount for which the asset could be exchanged) unless impractical to do so.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
	The cost of any stock of goods donated for distribution to beneficiaries is deemed to be the fair value of those gifts at the time of their receipt and they are recognised on receipt. In the reporting period in which the stocks are distributed, they are recognised as an expense at the carrying amount of the stocks at distribution.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
	Donated goods for resale are measured at fair value on initial recognition, which is the expected proceeds from sale less the expected costs of sale, and recognised in 'Income from other trading activities' with the corresponding stock recognised in the balance sheet. On its sale the value of stock is charged against 'Income from other trading activities' and the proceeds from sale are also recognised as 'Income from other trading activities'.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
	Goods donated for on-going use by the charity are recognised as tangible fixed assets and included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
	Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as income from donations when receivable.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
Donated services and facilities	Donated services and facilities are included in the SOFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided the value of the gift can be measured reliably.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
	Donated services and facilities that are consumed immediately are recognised as income with an equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the SOFA.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
Support costs	The charity has incurred expenditure on support costs.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
Volunteer help	The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.	Yes* ✓	No*	N/a*
Income from interest.	This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be	Yes*	No*	N/a*

royalties and dividends	measured reliably.		✓	
Income from membership subscriptions	Membership subscriptions received in the nature of a gift are recognised in Donations and Legacies.	Yes* ✓	No*	N/a*
	Membership subscriptions which gives a member the right to buy services or other benefits are recognised as income earned from the provision of goods and services as income from charitable activities.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
Settlement of insurance claims	Insurance claims are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP) and are included as an item of other income in the SoFA.	Yes* ✓	No*	N/a*
Investment gains and losses	This includes any realised or unrealised gains or losses on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
2.3 EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES				
Liability recognition	Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.	Yes* ✓	No*	N/a*
Governance and support costs	Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.	Yes* ✓	No*	N/a*
	Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, eg allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
Grants with performance conditions	Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
Grants payable without performance conditions	Where there are no conditions attaching to the grant that enables the donor charity to realistically avoid the commitment, a liability for the full funding obligation must be recognised.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
Redundancy cost	The charity made no redundancy payments during the reporting period.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
Deferred income	No material item of deferred income has been included in the accounts.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
Creditors	The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
Provisions for liabilities	A liability is measured on recognition at its historical cost and then subsequently measured at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
Basic financial instruments	The charity accounts for basic financial instruments on initial recognition as per paragraph 10.7 FRS102 SORP. Subsequent measurement is as per paragraphs 11.17 to 11.19, FRS102 SORP.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
2.4 ASSETS				
Tangible fixed assets for use by charity	These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least	£1,000.00		
	They are valued at cost.	Yes* ✓	No*	N/a*
	The depreciation rates and methods used are disclosed in note 14.			
Intangible fixed assets	The charity has intangible fixed assets, that is, non-monetary assets that do not have physical substance but are identifiable and are controlled by the charity through custody or legal rights. The amortisation rates and methods used are disclosed in note 15.	Yes*	No* ✓	N/a*
	They are valued at cost.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
Heritage assets	The charity has heritage assets, that is, non-monetary assets with historic, artistic, scientific, technological, geophysical or environmental qualities that are held and maintained principally for their contribution to knowledge and culture. The depreciation rates and methods used as disclosed in note 16.	Yes*	No* ✓	N/a*
	They are valued at cost.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
Investments	Fixed asset investments in quoted shares, traded bonds and similar investments are valued at initially at cost and subsequently at fair value (their market value) at the year end. The same treatment is applied to unlisted investments unless fair value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment.	Yes*	No*	N/a* ✓
	Investments held for resale or pending their sale and cash and cash equivalents with a maturity	Yes*	No*	N/a*

	date of less than 1 year are treated as current asset investments			✓
Stocks and work in progress	Stocks held for sale as part of non-charitable trade are measured at the lower or cost or net realisable value.	Yes*	No*	N/a*
				✓
	Goods or services provided as part of a charitable activity are measured at net realisable value based on the service potential provided by items of stock.	Yes*	No*	N/a*
				✓
	Work in progress is valued at cost less any foreseeable loss that is likely to occur on the contract.	Yes*	No*	N/a*
				✓
Debtors	Debtors (including trade debtors and loans receivable) are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount after any trade discounts or amount advanced by the charity. Subsequently, they are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.	Yes*	No*	N/a*
		✓		
Current asset investments	The charity has investments which it holds for resale or pending their sale and cash and cash equivalents with a maturity date less than one year. These include cash on deposit and cash equivalents with a maturity of loss than one year held for investment purposes rather than to meet short-term cash commitments as they fall due.	Yes*	No*	N/a*
				✓
		Yes*	No*	N/a*
	They are valued at fair value except where they qualify as basic financial instruments.			✓
POLICIES ADOPTED ADDITIONAL TO OR DIFFERENT FROM THOSE ABOVE				

Section C	Notes to the accounts				(cont)	
Note 3	Income					
	Analysis of income	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year
					£	£
Donations and legacies:	Donations and gifts	41,625	13,133	-	54,758	8,242
	Gift Aid	468	-	-	468	427
	Legacies	-	-	-	-	-
	General grants provided by government/other charities	1,000	34,270	-	35,270	9,550
	Membership subscriptions and sponsorships which are in substance donations	5,291		-	5,291	4,897
	Donated goods, facilities and services	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	150	-	-	150	
	Total	48,534	47,403	-	95,937	23,116
Charitable activities:		-	-	-	-	-
	Events	4,489	180	-	4,669	2,624
			-	-	-	-
	Other		-	-	-	-
	Total	4,489	180	-	4,669	2,624
Other trading activities:		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-	-	-	-	-
Income from investments:	Interest income	-	-	-	-	-
	Dividend income	-	-	-	-	-
	Rental and leasing income	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-	-	-	-	-
Separate material item of income		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-	-	-	-	-
Other:	Conversion of endowment funds into income	-	-	-	-	-
	Gain on disposal of a tangible fixed asset held for charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
	Gain on disposal of a programme related investment	-	-	-	-	-
	Royalties from the exploitation of intellectual property rights	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL INCOME		53,022	47,583	-	100,606	25,740

Other information:

All income in the prior year was unrestricted except for: (please provide description and amounts)

Where any endowment fund is converted into income in the reporting period, please give the reason for the conversion.

Where any endowment fund is converted into income in the prior period, please give the reason for the conversion.

Within the income items above the following items are material: (please disclose the nature, amount and any prior year amounts)

This year: Where sums originally denominated in foreign currency have been included in income, explain the basis on which those sums have been translated into sterling (or the currency in which the accounts are drawn up).	
Last year: Where sums originally denominated in foreign currency have been included in income, explain the basis on which those sums have been translated into sterling (or the currency in which the accounts are drawn up).	

Section C	Notes to the accounts	(cont)

Note 4 Analysis of receipts of government grants

	Description	This year £
Government grant 1		-
Government grant 2		-
Government grant 3		-
Other		-
	Total	-

	Description	Last year £
Government grant 1		-
Government grant 2		-
Government grant 3		-
Other		-
	Total	-

	This year	Last year
Please provide details of any unfulfilled conditions and other contingencies attaching to grants that have been recognised in income.		

	This year	Last year
Please give details of other forms of government assistance from which the charity has directly benefited.		

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Note 5 Donated goods, facilities and services

	This year £	Last year £
Seconded staff	-	-
Use of property	-	-
Other	-	-
	-	-

	This year	Last year
Please provide details of the accounting policy for the recognition and valuation of donated goods, facilities and services.		
Please provide details of any unfulfilled conditions and other contingencies attaching to resources from donated goods and services not recognised in income.		
Please give details of other forms of other donated goods and services not recognised in the accounts, eg contribution of unpaid volunteers.		

Section C	Notes to the accounts	(cont)

Note 5 Donated goods, facilities and services

	This year £	Last year £
Seconded staff	-	-
Use of property	-	-
Other	-	-
	-	-

	This year	Last year
Please provide details of the accounting policy for the recognition and valuation of donated goods, facilities and services.		
Please provide details of any unfulfilled conditions and other contingencies attaching to resources from donated goods and services not recognised in income.		
Please give details of other forms of other donated goods and services not recognised in the accounts, eg contribution of unpaid volunteers.		

Section C Notes to the accounts (cont)

Note 6 Expenditure

Analysis	This year				Last year			
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds
Expenditure on raising funds:				£				£
Incurred seeking donations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Incurred seeking legacies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Incurred seeking grants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Operating membership schemes and social lotteries		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Staging fundraising events	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fudraising agents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Operating charity shops	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Operating a trading company undertaking non-charitable trading activity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Advertising, marketing, direct mail and publicity	1,685	-	-	1,685	957	-	-	957
Start up costs incurred in generating new source of future income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Database development costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Portfolio management costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cost of obtaining investment advice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment administration costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intellectual property licencing costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rent collection, property repairs and maintenance charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure on raising funds	1,685	-	-	1,685	957	-	-	957
Expenditure on charitable activities:								
Staff & Running costs	50,423	6,580	-	57,003	34,875	16,449	-	51,325
Conservation, Countryside & Public Access	2,392	8,013	-	10,405	2,351	1,080	-	3,431
Public Events	2,852	391	-	3,243	3,518	-	-	3,518
Gateway & Interpretation	759	-	-	759	759	-	-	759
Total expenditure on charitable activities	56,426	14,983	-	71,409	41,504	17,529	-	59,033
Separate material item of expense								
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other								
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total other expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	58,111	14,983	-	73,094	42,461	17,529	-	59,990

Other Information:

Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Activity or programme	This year				Last year			
	Activities undertaken directly	Grant funding of activities	Support Costs	Total this year	Activities undertaken directly	Grant funding of activities	Support Costs	Total last year
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Activity 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Activity 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

This year: Where sums originally denominated in foreign currency have been included in expenditure, explain the basis on which those sums have been translated into sterling (or the currency in which the accounts are drawn up).	
Last year: Where sums originally denominated in foreign currency have been included in expenditure, explain the basis on which those sums have been translated into sterling (or the currency in which the accounts are drawn up).	

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Note 7 Extraordinary items

Please explain the nature of each extraordinary item occurring in the period.

	Description	This year £	Last year £
Extraordinary item 1		-	-
Extraordinary item 2		-	-
		-	-
Extraordinary item 3		-	-
Extraordinary item 4		-	-
Total extraordinary items		-	-

Section C Notes to the accounts

Note 8 Funds received as agent

8.1 Please complete this note if the charity has agreed to administer the funds of another entity as its agent. Note: If a charity is acting as an agent, it should not recognise the income in the Statement of Financial Activities or the Balance Sheet.

Description/name of party	Related party (Yes or No)	Amount received		Amount paid out		Balance held at period end	
		This year	Last year	This year	Last year	This year	Last year
		£	£	£	£	£	£
		-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-	-	-	-	-	-

8.2 Where a consortia or similar arrangement exists whereby 2 or more charities co-operate to achieve economies in the purchase of goods or services, please disclose details of any balances outstanding between any participating members.

Description/name of party	Balance held at period end	
	This year	Last year
	£	£
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
Total	-	-

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Note 9 Support Costs

Please complete this note if the charity has analysed its expenses using activity categories and has support costs.

This year

Support cost (examples)	Raising funds £	Activity 1 £	Activity 2 £	Activity 3 £	Grand total £	Basis of allocation (Describe method)
Governance	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
Other	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	

Last year

Support cost (examples)	Raising funds £	Activity 1 £	Activity 2 £	Activity 3 £	Grand total £	Basis of allocation (Describe method)
Governance	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
Other	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	

Please provide details of the accounting policy adopted for the apportionment of costs between activities and any estimation techniques used to calculate their apportionment.	

Section C — Notes to the accounts

Note 10 — Details of certain types of expenditure

Note 10.1 Fees for examination of the accounts

Please provide details of the amount paid for any statutory external scrutiny of accounts and other services provided by your independent examiner. If nothing was paid please enter '0' in the appropriate box(es).

	This year	Last year
	£	£
Independent examiner's fees	-	-
Assurance services other than independent examination	-	-
Tax advisory fees	-	-
Other fees (for example: financial advice, consultancy, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner	-	-

Section C	Notes to the accounts	(cont)

Note 11 Paid employees

Please complete this note if the charity has any employees (transactions with Trustees dealt with in Note 28)

11.1 Staff Costs

	This year	Last year
	£	£
Salaries and wages	33,484	32,598
Social security costs	2,976	2,630
Pension costs (defined contribution scheme)	1,304	1,260
Other employee benefits	-	-
Total staff costs	37,764	36,488

This year:

Please provide details of expenditure on staff working for the charity whose contracts are with and are paid by a related party

Last year:

Please provide details of expenditure on staff working for the charity whose contracts are with and are paid by a related party

Please give details of the number of employees whose total employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) fell within each band of £10,000 from £60,000 upwards. If there are no such transactions, please enter 'true' in the box provided.

No employees received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000

Band	Number of employees	
	This year	Last year
£60,000 to £69,999	-	-
£70,000 to £79,999	-	-
£80,000 to £89,999	-	-
£90,000 to £99,999	-	-
£100,000 to £109,999	-	-

	This year	Last year
	£	£
Please provide the total amount paid to key management personnel	-	-

11.2 Average head count in the year

	This year	Last year
	Number	Number
The parts of the charity in which the employees work	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
Total	-	-

11.3 Ex-gratia payments to employees and others (excluding trustees)

Please complete if an ex-gratia payment is made.

Please explain the nature of the payment	This year	
	Last year	

Please state the legal authority or reason for making the payment	This year	
	Last year	

	This year	Last year
	£	£
Please state the amount of the payment (or value of any waiver of a right to an asset)	-	-

11.4 Redundancy payments

Please complete if any redundancy or termination payment is made in the period.

	This year	Last year
	£	£
Total amount of payment	-	-

The nature of the payment (cash, asset etc.)		

	This year	Last year
	£	£
The extent of redundancy funding at the balance sheet date	-	-

Please state the accounting policy for any redundancy or termination payments		

Section C	Notes to the accounts	(cont)

Note 12 Defined contribution pension scheme or defined benefit scheme accounted for as a defined contribution scheme.

12.1 Please complete this note if a defined contribution pension scheme is operated.

	This year	Last year
	£	£
Amount of contributions recognised in the SOFA as an expense	-	-

Please explain the basis for allocating the liability and expense of defined contribution pension scheme between activities and between restricted and unrestricted funds.		

12.2 Please complete this section where the charity participates in a defined benefit pension plan but is unable to ascertain its share of the underlying assets and liabilities.

Please confirm that although the scheme is accounted for as a defined contribution plan, it is a defined benefit plan.	
Please provide such information as is available about the plan's surplus or deficit and the implications, if any, for the reporting charity this year and last year, if different	

12.3 Please complete this section where the charity participates in a multi-employer defined benefit pension plan that is accounted for as a defined contribution plan.

Describe the extent to which the charity can be liable to the plan for other entities' obligations under the terms and conditions of the multi-employer plan. If this is different for last year, provide details	
Provide an explanation of how any liability arising from an agreement with a multi-employer plan to fund a deficit has been determined. If this is different for last year, provide details	

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Note 13 Grantmaking

Please complete this note if the charity made any grants or donations which in aggregate form a material part of the charitable activities undertaken.

This year:

13.1 Analysis of grants paid (included in cost of charitable activities)

Analysis	Grants to institutions	Grants to individuals	Support costs	Total
			£	£
Activity or project 1	-	-	-	-
Activity or project 2	-	-	-	-
Activity or project 3	-	-	-	-
Activity or project 4	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-

Please enter "Nil" if the charity does not identify and/or allocate support costs.

13.2 Grants made to institutions

My charity has made grants to particular institutions that are material in the context of its grantmaking. Details of the institution supported, purpose of the grant and total paid to each institution is available on the charity's web site.	*Yes*	*Please provide details of charity's URL.*
	No	*Provide details below*

Names of Institution	Purpose	Total amount of grants paid £
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
Total grants to institutions in reporting period		-
Other unanalysed grants		-
TOTAL GRANTS PAID		-

Last year:

13.3 Analysis of grants paid (included in cost of charitable activities)

Analysis	Grants to institutions	Grants to individuals	Support costs	Total
			£	£
Activity or project 1	-	-	-	-
Activity or project 2	-	-	-	-
Activity or project 3	-	-	-	-
Activity or project 4	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-

Please enter "Nil" if the charity does not identify and/or allocate support costs.				

13.4 Grants made to institutions

My charity has made grants to particular institutions that are material in the context of its grantmaking. Details of the institution supported, purpose of the grant and total paid to each institution is available on the charity's web site.	*Yes*	*Please provide details of charity's URL.*
	No	*Provide details below*

Names of institution	Purpose	Total amount of grants paid £
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
Total grants to institutions in reporting period		-
Other unanalysed grants		-
TOTAL GRANTS PAID		-

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Note 14 Tangible fixed assets

Please complete this note if the charity has any tangible fixed assets

14.1 Cost or valuation

	Freehold land & buildings	Other land & buildings	Plant, machinery and motor vehicles	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
At the beginning of the year	-	2,277	-	-	2,277
Additions	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluations	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers *	-	-	-	-	-
At end of the year	-	2,277	-	-	2,277

14.2 Depreciation and impairments

**Basis	SL or RB (Straight Line or Reducing Balance)	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB
** Rate					
At beginning of the year	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation	-	759	-	-	759
Impairment	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers*	-	-	-	-	-
At end of the year	-	759	-	-	759

14.3 Net book value

Net book value at the beginning of the year	-	2,277	-	-	2,277
Net book value at the end of the year	-	1,518	-	-	1,518

14.4 Impairment

This year: Please provide a description of the events and circumstances that led to the recognition or reversal of an impairment loss.	
Last year: Please provide a description of the events and circumstances that led to the recognition or reversal of an impairment loss.	

14.5 Revaluation

If an accounting policy of revaluation is adopted, please provide:	This year	Last year

the effective date of the revaluation		
the name of independent valuer, if applicable		
the methods applied and significant assumptions		
the carrying amount that would have been recognised had the assets been carried under the cost model.	-	-

14.6 Other disclosures

	This year	Last year
	£	£
(i) Please state the amount of borrowing costs, if any, capitalised in the construction of tangible fixed assets and the capitalisation rate used.	-	-
(ii) Please provide the amount of contractual commitments for the acquisition of tangible fixed assets.	-	-
(iii) Details of the existence and carrying amounts of property, plant and equipment to which the charity has restricted title or that are pledged as security for liabilities.		

** The "transfers" row is for movements between fixed asset categories.*

*** Please indicate the method of depreciation by deleting the method not applicable (SL = straight line; RB = reducing balance). Also please*

Amount of concessionary loans received *(Multiple loans received may be disclosed in aggregate provided that such aggregation does not obsure significant information).*	*Description*	This year £
		-
		-
		-
	Total	-

	This year	Last year
Terms and conditions eg interest rate, security provided		
Value of any concessionary loans which have been committed but not taken up at the reporting date		
Amounts payable within 1 year		
Amounts payable after more than 1 year		
Amounts receivable within 1 year		
Amounts receivable after more than 1 year		

17.7 Additional information

	This year	Last year
Please provide information about the significance of investments to the charity's financial position or performance eg. terms and conditions of loans or the use of hedging to manage financial risk.		
For all investments measured at fair value, the basis for determining the value, including any assumptions applied when using a valuation technique.		
Where a charity has provided financial assets as a form of security, the carrying amount of the financial asset pledged as security and the terms and conditions relating to its pledge.		
For all investments measured at fair value, the basis for determining the value, including any assumptions applied when using a valuation technique.		
Where a charity has provided financial assets as a form of security, the carrying amount of the financial asset pledged as security and the terms and conditions relating to its pledge.		

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Note 18 Stocks

Please complete this note if the charity holds any stock items

18.1 Please state the carrying amount of stock and work in progress analysed between activities.

	Stock		Donated goods		Work in progress
	For distribution	For resale	For distribution	For resale	
	£	£	£	£	£
Charitable activities:					
Opening	-	-	-	-	-
Added in period	-	-	-	-	-
Expensed in period	-	-	-	-	-
Impaired	-	-	-	-	-
Closing	-	-	-	-	-
Other trading activities:					
Opening	-	-	-	-	-
Added in period	-	-	-	-	-
Expensed in period	-	-	-	-	-
Impaired	-	-	-	-	-
Closing	-	-	-	-	-
Other:					
Opening	-	-	-	-	-
Added in period	-	-	-	-	-
Expensed in period	-	-	-	-	-
Impaired	-	-	-	-	-
Closing	-	-	-	-	-
Total this year	-	-	-	-	-
Total previous year	-	-	-	-	-

	This year	Last year
	£	£
18.2 Please specify the carrying amount of any stocks pledged as security for liabilities		

Note 19 Debtors and prepayments

Please complete this note if the charity has any debtors or prepayments.

19.1 Analysis of debtors

	This year	Last year
	£	£
Trade debtors	-	-
Prepayments and accrued income	-	-
Other debtors	-	-
Total	-	-

Complete 19.2 where a material debtor is recoverable more than a year after the reporting date.

19.2 Disclosure of debtors recoverable in more than 1 year (included in debtors above)

	This year	Last year
	£	£
Trade debtors	-	-
Prepayments and accrued income	-	-
Other debtors	-	-
Total	-	-

Section C	Notes to the accounts	(cont)

Note 20 Creditors and accruals

Please complete this note if the charity has any creditors or accruals.

20.1 Analysis of creditors

	Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
	This year	Last year	This year	Last year
	£	£	£	£
Accruals for grants payable	-	-	-	-
Bank loans and overdrafts	-	-	-	-
Trade creditors	-	-	-	-
Payments received on account for contracts or performance-related grants	-	-	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	-	-	-	-
Taxation and social security	-	-	-	-
Other creditors	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-

20.2 Deferred income

Please complete this note if the charity has deferred income.

	This year	Last year
Please explain the reasons why income is deferred.		

Movement in deferred income account	This year	Last year
	£	£
Balance at the start of the reporting period	-	-
Amounts added in current period	-	-
Amounts released to income from previous periods	-	-
Balance at the end of the reporting period	-	-

Section C	Notes to the accounts	(cont)

Note 21 Provisions for liabilities and charges

Please complete this note if you have included in charity expenditure any provisions. A provision is made when the charity has a liability of uncertain timing or amount.

21.1 Movements in recognised provisions and funding commitment during the period

	This year	Last year
	£	£
Balance at the start of the reporting period	-	-
Amounts added in current period	-	-
Amounts charged against the provision in the current period	-	-
Unused amounts reversed during the period	-	-
Balance at the end of the reporting period	-	-

21.2 Please provide:	This year	Last year
- a brief description of any obligations on the balance sheet and the expected amount and timing of resulting payments;		
- an indication of the uncertainties about the amount or timing of those outflows; and		
- the amount of any expected reimbursement, stating the amount of any asset that has been recognised for that expected reimbursement.		

	This year	Last year
21.3 For any funding commitment that is not recognised as a liability or provision, provide details of commitment made, the time frame of that commitment, any performance-related conditions and details of how the commitment will be funded (with contracts for capital expenditure separately identified).		
21.4 Where unrestricted funds have been designated to a fund commitment, please disclose the nature of any amounts designated and the likely timing of that expenditure.		

Section C	Notes to the accounts	(cont)

Note 22 Other disclosures for debtors, creditors and other basic financial instruments

	This year	Last year
22.1 Please provide information about the significance of financial instruments (eg. debtors, creditors, investments etc) to the charity's financial position or performance, for example, the terms and conditions of loans or the use of hedging to manage financial risk.		
22.2 If the charity has provided financial assets as a form of security, the carrying amount of the financial assets pledged as security and the terms and conitions related to its pledge should be given here.		

Section C	Notes to the accounts	(cont)

Note 23 Contingent liabilities and contingent assets

23.1 Contingent liabilities

Where the charity has contingent liabililities, please complete the following section unless the possibility of their existence is remote.

This year

Description of item including its legal nature. Please describe any security provided in connection to the liability.	Estimate of financial effect

Last year

Description of item including its legal nature. Please describe any security provided in connection to the liability.	Estimate of financial effect

23.2 Contingent assets

Where the charity has contingent assets, please complete the following section when their existence is probable

This year

Description of item	Estimate of financial effect

Last year

Description of item	Estimate of financial effect

23.4 Other disclosures for contingent assets and/or liabilities

Please provide the following information where practicable:

	This year	Last year
Explain any uncertainties relating to the amount or timing of settlement; and the possibilty of any reimbursement		
Where it is not practical to make one or more of these disclosures, please state this fact		

Section C	Notes to the accounts	(cont)

Note 24 Cash at bank and in hand

	This year £	Last year £
Short term cash investments (less than 3 months maturity date)	-	-
Short term deposits	-	-
Cash at bank and on hand	62,977	34,707
Other	-	-
Total	62,977	34,707

Section C	Notes to the accounts	(cont)

Note 25 Fair value of assets and liabilities

	This year	Last year
25.1 Please provide details of the charity's exposure to credit risk (the risk of incurring a loss due to a debtor not paying what is owed), liquidity risk (the risk of not being able to meet short term financial demands) and market risk (the risk that the value of an investment will fall due to changes in the market) arising from financial instruments to which the charity is exposed at the end of the reporting period and explain how the charity manages those risks.		
25.2 Please give details of the amount of change in the fair value of basic financial instruments (debtors, creditors, investments (see section 11, FRS 102 SORP)) measured at fair value through the SoFA that is attributable to changes in credit risk.		

Section C	Notes to the accounts	(cont)

Note 26	Events after the end of the reporting period

Please complete this note events (not requiring adjustment to the accounts) have occurred after the end of the reporting period but before the accounts are authorised which relate to conditions that arose after the end of the reporting period.

	This year	Last year
Please provide details of the nature of the event		
Provide an estimate of the financial effect of the event or a statement that such an estimate cannot be made		

Section C	Notes to the accounts	(cont)

Note 27 Charity funds

27.1 Details of material funds held and movements during the CURRENT reporting period

Please give details of the movements of material individual funds in the reporting period together with a balancing figure for 'Other funds' (which should include revaluation reserve and fair value reserve, if applicable). The 'Total funds' figure below should reconcile to 'Total funds' in the balance sheet.

**** Key: PE - permanent endowment funds; EE - expendable endowment funds; R - restricted income funds, including special trusts, of the charity; and U - unrestricted funds***

Fund names	Type PE, EE R or UR *	Purpose and Restrictions	Fund balances brought forward	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Gains and losses	Fund balances carried forward
			£	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	UR		31,225	51,952	- 57,370	-	-	25,808
Small Projects	UR	Set aside for small projects	2,899	-	-	-	-	2,899
CH Memorial	UR	Volunteer memorial	-	1,070				1,070
Small Projects	R	Set aside for small projects as defined by donor	440	1,497	-	-	-	1,937
Public Engagement	R	Development of Public Engagement	772	-	- 741	-	-	31
Woodland Management	R	Woodland Management	76	-	- 76	-	-	-
No Fence Project	R	Control of Cattle	1,572	-	- 196	-	-	1,376
Youth Engagement Worker	R	Engagement with youth	-	3,500	- 403	-	-	3,097
Temporary Buildings	R	Provision of temporary building	-	6,186	- 5,596	-	-	590
Gateway Art Feature	R	Gateway art feature	-	250	-	-	-	250
SDNPA funded projects	R	Countyside management		5,570	- 5,408			162
Dew Pond - Sussex Community Fund	R	Provision of new dew pond		8,000				8,000
Heritage Lottery	R	Funds for Charitable Activities as defined		15,200	- 1,440			13,760
MG Memorial	R	Memorial os defined		500	- 500			-
4Wheel Drive & Information Boards	R	Provision of 4Wheel Drive for Access & new information boards		5,680	- 164			5,516
								-
Other funds (balancing figure)	**N/a**	**N/a**	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Total Funds as per balance sheet	36,984	99,406	- 71,894	-	-	64,496

	Yes*	No*
Fund balances carried forward include assets and liabilities denominated in a foreign currency		✓

If yes, please state the basis on which the assets and/or liabilities have been translated into sterling (or the currency in which the accounts are drawn up).	

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Note 27 Charity funds

27.2 Details of material funds held and movements during the PREVIOUS reporting period

Please give details of the movements of material individual funds in the reporting period together with a balancing figure for 'Other funds' (which should include revaluation reserve and fair value reserve, if applicable). The 'Total funds' figure below should reconcile to 'Total funds' in the balance sheet.

** Key: PE - permanent endowment funds; EE - expendable endowment funds; R - restricted income funds, including special trusts, of the charity; and U - unrestricted funds*

Fund names	Type PE, EE R or UR *	Purpose and Restrictions	Fund balances brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	Fund balances carried forward £
General Fund	UR		55,166	16,190	- 38,513	- 1,618	-	31,225
Small Projects	UR	Set aside for small projects	3,304	-	- 405	-	-	2,899
Small Projects	R	Set aside for small projects as defined by donor	1,100		- 660	-	-	440
Public Engagement	R	Development of Public Engagement	4,314	-	- 3,542	-	-	772
Woodland Management	R	Woodland Management	76	-	-	-	-	76
No Fence Project	R	Control of Cattle	1,992	-	- 420	-	-	1,572
Youth Engagement Worker	R	Engagement with youth	5,281	9,550	- 16,449	1,618	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
Other funds (balancing figure)	N/a	N/a	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Total Funds as per balance sheet	71,233	25,740	- 59,989	-	-	36,984

	Yes*	No*
Fund balances carried forward include assets and liabilities denominated in a foreign currency		✓

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Note 27 Charity funds (cont)

27.3 Transfers between funds

This year

	Reason for transfer and where endowment is converted to income, legal power for its conversion	Amount
Between unrestricted and restricted funds		-
Between endowment and restricted funds		-
Between endowment and unrestricted funds		-
		-

Last year

	Reason for transfer and where endowment is converted to income, legal power for its conversion	Amount
Between unrestricted and restricted funds		-
Between endowment and restricted funds		-
Between endowment and unrestricted funds		-
		-

27.4 Designated funds

This year

Planned use	Purpose of the designation	Amount
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-

Last year

Planned use	Purpose of the designation	Amount
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-

Note 28 Transactions with trustees and related parties

If the charity has any transactions with related parties (other than the trustee expenses explained in guidance notes) details of such transactions should be provided in this note. If there are no transactions to report, please enter "True" in the box or "False" if there are transactions to report.

28.1 Trustee remuneration and benefits

This year

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity (True or False)	

In the period the charity has paid trustees remuneration and benefits. Please give the amount of, and legal authority for, any remuneration or other benefits paid to a trustee by the charity or any institution or company connected with it.

Name of trustee	Legal authority (eg order, governing document)	Amounts paid or benefit value				
		Remuneration	Pension contribution	Redundancy (including loss of office)/ex gratia	Other	TOTAL
		£	£	£	£	£
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-

Please give details of why remuneration or other employment benefits were paid.	
Where an ex gratia payment has been made to a trustee, provide an explanation of the nature of the payment.	
If a third party has been reimbursed for providing one or more trustees, state the nature of the payment and amount of the reimbursement.	
State the number of trustees to whom retirement benefits are accruing under a defined contribution pension scheme.	

Last year

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity (True or False)	

In the period the charity has paid trustees remuneration and benefits. Please give the amount of, and legal authority for, any remuneration or other benefits paid to a trustee by the charity or any institution or company connected with it.

		Amounts paid or benefit value

Name of trustee	Legal authority (eg order, governing document)	Remuneration	Pension contribution	Redundancy (including loss of office)/ex gratia	Other	TOTAL
		£	£		£	£
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-

Please give details of why remuneration or other employment benefits were paid.	
Where an ex gratia payment has been made to a trustee, provide an explanation of the nature of the payment.	
If a third party has been reimbursed for providing one or more trustees, state the nature of the payment and amount of the reimbursement.	
State the number of trustees to whom retirement benefits are accruing under a defined contribution pension scheme.	

28.2 Trustees' expenses

If the charity has paid trustees expenses for fulfilling their duties, details of such transactions should be provided in this note. If there are no transactions to report, please enter "True" in the box below. If there are transactions to report, please enter "False".

No trustee expenses have been incurred (True or False)	

Type of expenses reimbursed	This year	Last year
	£	£
Travel	-	-
Subsistence	-	-
Accommodation	-	-
Other (please specify):	-	-
	-	-
TOTAL	-	-

Please provide the number of trustees reimbursed for expenses or who had expenses paid by the charity		

28.3 Transaction(s) with related parties

Please give details of any transaction undertaken by (or on behalf of) the charity in which a related party has a material interest, including where funds have been held as agent for related parties. If there are no such transactions, please enter 'true' in the box provided.

This year	

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period (True or False)	

Name of the trustee or related party	Relationship to charity	Description of the transaction(s)	Amount	Balance at period end	Provision for bad debts at period end	Amounts written off during reporting period
			£	£	£	£
			-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-

In relation to the transactions above, please provide the terms and conditions, including any security and the nature of any payment (consideration) to be provided in settlement.	
For any related party, please provide details of any guarantees given or received.	

Last year

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period (True or False)	

Name of the trustee or related party	Relationship to charity	Description of the transaction(s)	Amount	Balance at period end	Provision for bad debts at period end	Amounts written off during reporting period
			£	£	£	£
			-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-

In relation to the transactions above, please provide the terms and conditions, including any security and the nature of any payment (consideration) to be provided in settlement.	
For any related party, please provide details of any guarantees given or received.	

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Note 29 Additional Disclosures

The following are significant matters which are not covered in other notes and need to be included to provide a proper understanding of the accounts. If there is insufficient room here, please add a separate sheet.