



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

<b>From</b>	Period start date			<b>To</b>	Period end date		
	Day 01	Month 10	Year 2020		Day 30	Month 09	Year 2021

## Section A Reference and administration details

**Charity name** CUMBRIA FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS SOUTHERN DISTRICT

**Other names charity is known by**

**Registered charity number (if any)** 504833

**Charity's principal address** CUMBRIA YFC COUNTY OFFICE,  
CIVILS STORE, BARBARY PLAINS, EDENHALL, PENRITH,  
CUMBRIA  
**Postcode** CA11 8SR

### 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	EMILY ARMER	DISTRICT CHAIR		ELECTED AT THE CUMBRIA FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS SOUTHERN DISTRICT AGM
2	CHLOE DAWSON	DISTRICT VICE CHAIR		ELECTED AT THE CUMBRIA FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS SOUTHERN DISTRICT AGM
3	EMMA WOODHOUSE			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
4	BRADLEY TROUGHTON			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
5	ADAM LOMAS			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
6	LUCY DICKINSON			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
7	AMY WOOD			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
8	MEL GORST			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
9	JACK SOWERBY			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
10	JADE PEARSON			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
11	JACK FISHER			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
12	BROGAN JACKSON			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
13	WILLIAM LONGMIRE			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
14	ANTHONY BARNES			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
15	ROBBIE HUTCHINSON			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
16	WILLIAM KNIPE			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
17	HANNAH HODGSON			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
18	SOPHIE WALLER			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
19	AMBER WILSON			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
20	SHAUN HALL			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
21	GEORGIE HUNTER			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM

**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)**

JOANNE MILLS (CHIEF OFFICER)

**Section B Structure, governance and management**

**Description of the charity's trusts**

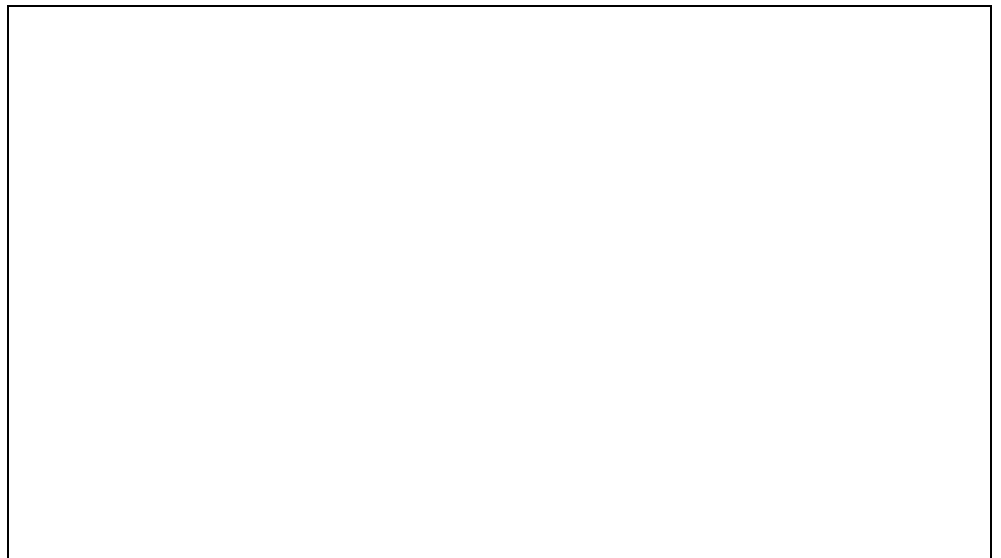
Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	CONSTITUTION
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	BY THE CUMBRIA FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS SOUTHERN DISTRICT
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	BY ELECTION WITHIN CLUBS

**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

- To advance the education of young members of the public at large in agriculture, home crafts, country life and related subjects; and
- In the interests of the social welfare of such members of the public to provide and promote the provision of facilities for recreation and other leisure time occupations, being facilities which will improve their conditions of life and will assist in the development of their spiritual and mental capacities, self-reliance and individual responsibility so that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of the community.

### Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

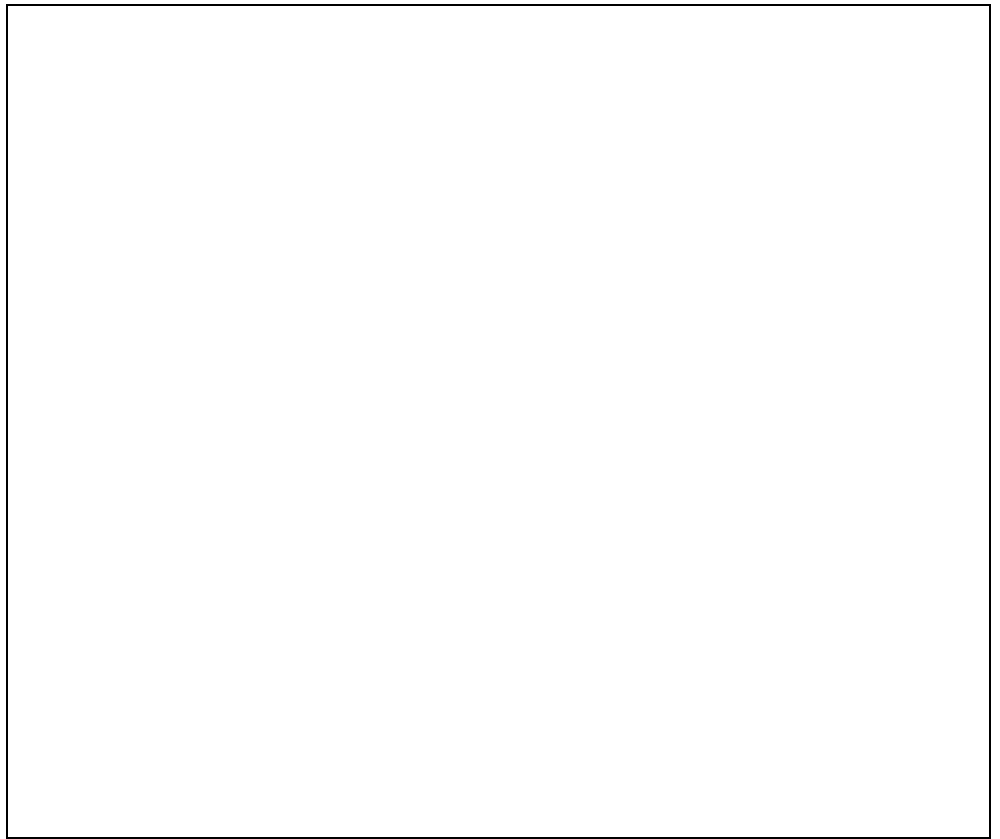
In setting objectives and planning activities, events, competitions and training for the members of the Cumbria Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs Southern District, the Trustees gave careful consideration to the Charity Commission's Public Benefit guidance.

- Membership of the Southern District of Cumbria YFC is open to anyone aged 10 – 28 years of age. Membership is not restricted to those from within a farming background and clubs actively recruit for new members from within schools, at shows and via their social media. This enables the organisation to have a broad reach and be of public benefit, not only to the young people of Cumbria, but to the broader communities that they are linked to.
- This benefit was especially felt during the recent pandemic, when young farmers were active within their local communities, helping out at covid clinics, providing shopping services for the vulnerable and helping out where needed.
- All young farmer clubs take part in annual voluntary work within their local communities. This not only provides much needed help and support to the broader community, but also gives the young farmers opportunity to strengthen links and play an integral part within these communities. Voluntary work undertaken has included, rebuilding church walls, clearing school playgrounds, re-hedging common land, painting village halls and tidying up village greens.

### 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.



## Section D

## Achievements and performance

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

**Membership:**

For the purposes of this report, the figures given for the annual total will be those up to the end of July 2021, when the membership year came to a close. The Southern District of Cumbria YFC (YFCSD), has managed, despite a difficult year to keep running, with a total of 398 members (excluding Advisory Members and Club Leaders) across 10 clubs. This is a -24% decrease year to date. This decrease was not unexpected as clubs were still building back during a year that saw covid restrictions still in place. Despite the repercussion of the pandemic still being felt, Grayrigg YFC achieved a 9% increase to their membership.

The Southern District of Cumbria YFC is a democratic charitable organisation for young people living in rural areas. YFCSD encourages its members to take part in community challenges and fund raising and there is a strong ethos of involvement and community awareness within its clubs. This community spirit was never more visible than during the pandemic, when all 10 clubs from within the Southern District helped out at covid clinics, setting up rooms, moving furniture, directing traffic and managing queues.

As noted in previous reports, becoming a young farmer in the 21<sup>st</sup> century does not mean that you must be a farmer. Members come from a variety of back grounds however they all have the common interests of community, rural life and agriculture in general as well as farming in particular. The district's young farmers have careers in a wide variety of disciplines including teaching, medicine, finance and farming to name but a few. Our members have in common an understanding of the importance of being part of a youth organisation that supports and celebrates the county, its young people and rural life in general. The Southern District continues to work hard to ensure that their competitions and field days embrace and promote this ethos.

**Competitions:**

Despite some restrictions still being in place at the start of the young farmer year, the Southern District continued to work hard to reengage members and to organise activities and events.

The young farmers took part in all of the speaking competitions and achieved great success. Southern District officers were also very proactive in helping to organise and take part in stock judging tug of war competitions.

The cancellation of the Southern District Field Day for a second year running was a huge disappointment, but with great resilience and resourcefulness, the District took the lead in organising the Virtual County Field Day, which was enjoyed by many.

**Fundraising, Community and Charity Work:**

Although fundraising activities were largely put in hold over the last 2 years, one of the Southern District's great successes was the sponsored sky dive, organised by then County Chairman, William Longmire. Two years in the planning and re-scheduled 3 times due to the pandemic, the sky dive was a great success and raised some much needed funds for the Southern District and the Calvert Trust. A total of £6866.49 was

raised with £4,000 raised for the Lake District Calvert Trust and the remainder of the money going to the Southern District of Cumbria YFC.

#### **The Coming Year:**

The aims for the Southern District for the coming year continue to be centred around the development of our young farmers; The last two years have impacted on our young farmers and it is important that the Southern District puts a full calendar of training, activities, competitions and events in place, to support and help get members re engaged and back on track. To help achieve these goals, the following objectives will be centre stage in the coming year:

- Increasing membership to pre-pandemic figures.
- Ensuring that elected club officers are given training and support to fulfil their roles.
- Encouraging members to take part in competitions at club, district, county, area and national level.
- Hosting a successful Field Day.
- Encouraging members to plan fundraising and volunteering activities.

**Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves****1. Dissolution of the County Federation**

If in the event of the dissolution of the County Federation there remains after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities any property or funds whatsoever to which it is beneficially entitled, the same shall be transferred to the National Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs to be held on trust by the National Federation at its discretion and used for the benefit of the Young Farmers' Clubs organisation in the area concerned and shall not be distributed among the Member Clubs of the County Federation unless the said National Federation is no longer in being at the time of dissolution.

**2. Restricted Reserves**

The restricted reserves are:

- Monies received from closed clubs is restricted for 7 years during which it will be transferred back to the said club if any point during this period it reforms. After this period, it will be transferred to the unrestricted reserves.
- Monies received from Friends of Cumbria is restricted to the specific use it was originally provided for. If, after a period of 3 years, from when the monies were originally transferred, there are remaining funds, these may be transferred to the unrestricted reserves with the agreement of the finance and general-purpose committee. If, during the 3-year period, it becomes apparent the original use of the funds is no longer appropriate, the finance and general-purpose committee may redesignate the funds to a different purpose.
- Monies received from organisations is restricted to the specific use or event it was originally provided for. If, after the specific use or event has been delivered, there are remaining funds, these may be transferred to the unrestricted reserves or any other restricted reserve with the agreement of the finance and general-purpose committee.

**3. Unrestricted Reserves**

The unrestricted reserves are available for the general operating expenditure of the charity. The charity's reserve policy is to maintain freely available reserves equivalent to 12 months of budgeted operating expenditure, based on previous 6-year average. The trustees consider that unrestricted reserves of at least £110,277 should be maintained for the Cumbria Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs as a whole.

This will be reviewed at each finance and general-purpose committee meeting. Action will be taken to maintain the level of reserves by the finance and general-purpose committee.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit****Further financial review details (Optional information)**

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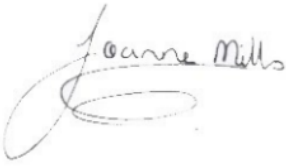
- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

**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

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	JOANNE MILLS	
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	CHIEF OFFICER	
<b>Date</b>	21/6/2022	

**THE CUMBRIA FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS - SOUTHERN DISTRICT**

**Income and Expenditure Account for the Year Ending 30 September 2021**

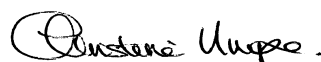
<u>INCOME</u>	2021	2020	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	2021	2020
Field Day '20	-	2,580.00	Field Day '20	-	596.31
Competitions	138.00	100.00	AGM Expenses	-	487.73
Activities/Events Skydive	6,866.49	-	Competitions	-	265.80
Training & Promotion	-	-	Lake District Calvert Trust	4,000.00	-
Donations	-	8.50	Hire of Rooms and Fields	-	367.00
Bank Interest	449.42	697.01	Training and Promotion	-	182.60
Sundry Income	-	10.45	Office Expenses	120.32	370.43
			Contribution to Officers' Expenses	850.00	850.00
			Contribution to County Staff Fund	0.00	16,000.00
			Contribution to National Levy	14,370.00	-
Club Challenge	200.00	1,400.00	Club Challenge	500.00	-
Miscellaneous	200.00	-	Miscellaneous	-	246.00
			Bank Charges	-	-
Social Account Surplus	7,586.73	-705.40			
	<u>15,440.64</u>	<u>4,090.56</u>		<u>19,840.32</u>	<u>19,365.87</u>
			Excess of Income over Expenditure	<b>-4,399.68</b>	<b>-15,275.31</b>
	<u><u>£15,440.64</u></u>	<u><u>£4,090.56</u></u>		<u><u>£15,440.64</u></u>	<u><u>£4,090.56</u></u>

**Social Account**

<u>INCOME</u>			<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
Pre AGM/AGM Disco	-	70.00	Pre AGM/AGM Disco	-	1,178.20
Christmas Jumper Dance	-	950.00	Christmas Jumper Dance	-	621.00
Fancy Dress Dance	-	1,120.00	Fancy Dress Dance	-	600.00
Field Day Dance	-	-	Field Day Dance	-	235.00
Westmorland Show Dance '21	31,573.00	-	Westmorland Show Dance '21	23,986.27	-
Westmorland Show Dance '20	-	1,500.00	Westmorland Show Dance '20	-	1,500.00
Westmorland Show Dance '19	-	-	Westmorland Show Dance '19	-	211.20
	<u>31,573.00</u>	<u>3,640.00</u>		<u>23,986.27</u>	<u>4,345.40</u>
			Excess of Income over Expenditure	7,586.73	-705.40
	<u><u>£31,573.00</u></u>	<u><u>£3,640.00</u></u>		<u><u>£31,573.00</u></u>	<u><u>£3,640.00</u></u>

**Statement of Funds as at 30 September 2021**

<u>Balances as at 30 September 2020</u>		<u>Balances as at 30 September 2021</u>	
Bank Account - Current	13,972.31	Bank Account - Current	14,936.21
Business Reserve Account	256.67	Business Reserve Account	256.72
Cumberland Building Society	55,688.26	Cumberland Building Society	50,137.63
Cash in Hand	0.00	Cash in Hand	187.00
	<u>69,917.24</u>		<u>65,517.56</u>
Excess of Income over Expenditure	<b>-4,399.68</b>		
	<u><u>£65,517.56</u></u>		<u><u>£65,517.56</u></u>



05-Jan-22



**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name  
Cumbria Federation of Young Farmers Clubs – Southern District

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

30 September 2021

**Charity no  
(if any)**

504833

**Set out on pages**

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30/09/2021.

**Responsibilities and  
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent  
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn 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:**

**Date:**

5 January 2022

**Name:**

CHRISTINE A KNIPE FRAGS

**Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):**

**Address:**

HIGH CARLINGILL

TEBAY, PENRITH

CUMBRIA CA10 3XX

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.**

No areas of concern.