



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 1	Month 10	Year 2020		Day 30	Month 9	Year 2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name CUMBRIA FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 504834

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	ROBERT TUER	COUNTY CHAIR		ELECTED AT THE CUMBRIA FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS AGM
2	WILLIAM LONGMIRE	COUNTY VICE CHAIR		ELECTED AT THE CUMBRIA FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS AGM
3	EMMA BLAYLOCK			ELECTED AT THE CUMBRIA FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS NORTHERN DISTRICT AGM
4	ABIGAIL GRAHAM			ELECTED AT THE CUMBRIA FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS NORTHERN DISTRICT AGM
5	STUART MOUNSEY			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
6	ERIN TILLEY			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
7	AMY TELFORD			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
8	KATIE MAUGHAN			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
9	JAMIE LIGHTFOOT			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
10	ZOE GLENDINNING			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
11	RICHARD GRAHAM			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
12	LOUISE BROUGH			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
13	CHARLOTTE NICHOL			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
14	ELLA BATEY			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
15	JACK JENKINSON			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
16	JO BEATTIE			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
17	MATTHEW FEARON			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
18	STEPHANIE JARMAN			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
19	SAM HODGSON			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
20	EMMA SMITH			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
21	JAMES WILSON			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
22	ELLIE STAMPER			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
23	GEORGIE HUNTER			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
24	GEORGINA CARRUTHERS			ELECTED AT CLUB AGM

25	PAUL GARDNER		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
26	LIAM STONG		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
27	CALLUM BRUCE		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
28	ALISTAIR GAITSKELL		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
29	EMMA HETHERINGTON		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
30	ZAC WALSH		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
31	MEGAN HARRISON		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
32	AMY NICHOLSON		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
33	CHLOE DODD		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
34	EMILY ARMER		ELECTED AT THE CUMBRIA FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUB SOUTHERN DISTRICT AGM
35	CHLOE DAWSON		ELECTED AT THE CUMBRIA FEDERATION OF YOUNG FARMERS' CLUB SOUTHERN DISTRICT AGM
36	EMMA WOODHOUSE		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
37	BRADLEY TROUGHTON		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
38	ADAM LOMAS		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
39	LUCY DICKINSON		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
40	AMY WOOD		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
41	MELISSA GORST		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
42	JACK SOWERBY		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
43	JADE PEARSON		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
44	JACK FISHER		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
45	BROGAN JACKSON		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
46	SHAUN HALL		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
47	ANTHONY BARNES		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
48	ROBBIE HUTCHINSON		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
49	WILLIAM KNIPE		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
50	HANNAH HODGSON		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
51	SOPHIE WALLER		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
52	AMBER WILSON		ELECTED AT CLUB AGM
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Joanne Mills (Chief Officer)

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document <small>(eg. trust deed, constitution)</small>	Constitution.
How the charity is constituted <small>(eg. trust, association, company)</small>	By the Cumbria Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs (Cumbria YFC).
Trustee selection methods <small>(eg. appointed by, elected by)</small>	By election within Cumbria YFC either at club, district or county level.

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.
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Elected officers undergo training annually, following guidance and training plans developed by our Governing Body, the National Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs (NFYFC). Included in this training is guidance on Public Benefit and the responsibilities that officers have as Trustees to ensure that Cumbria YFC's obligations and duties in terms of Public Benefit are met.

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, the Trustees gave careful consideration and diligence to the Charity Commission's Public Benefit guidance.

- Membership 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.

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. Cumbria YFC held its own during the pandemic with a total of 957 members (excluding Advisory Members and Club Leaders) across 25 clubs. This is a 71 % retention rate on the previous year's membership figures. Cumbria YFC worked exceptionally hard over the last year to keep members engaged and in touch with each other. The organisation had the most members out of any county in the UK and led the way in continuing to hold meetings virtually when it was not possible to meet in person due to covid restrictions.

Operating as a democratic organisation, Cumbria YFC continues to encourage all of its clubs to develop a strong ethos of involvement and community awareness with community projects and fundraising playing an important part in the club programmes. Following on from the devastation of the pandemic, this has never been more important. Older members take on Club Officer roles and mentor younger members, ensuring that skills and knowledge are passed on from year to year and encouraging them to be proactive members of both their clubs and their local communities.

As noted in previous reports, becoming a young farmer does not mean that potential members have to be from within the farming community. Our members come from a variety of backgrounds however they all have the common interests of community, rural life and agriculture. Our members understand the importance of becoming part of a youth organisation that supports and celebrates the county and its young people. Cumbria YFC works hard to ensure that all aspects of the organisation embrace and build on this long-established ethos.

Competitions and Meetings:

Although activities continued to be somewhat curtailed by the pandemic, our young farmers were able to participate in a blended combination of virtual and covid secure in-person competitions and meetings throughout the year. Cumbria YFC was the first young farmer county to embrace the virtual competition format with a full calendar of speaking competitions. Members worked hard to find ways of continuing with their usual activities and enjoyed the novelty of taking part in a Virtual Christmas Crafts Competition, Virtual Stock Judging and a Virtual Field Day (for the second year running!)

The Cumbrian young farmers are fiercely competitive and taking part in competitions is a huge part of what being a young farmer is all about, so they were delighted to be able to continue taking part in this new format. Tenacity and the willingness to embrace new ways of doing things paid off with Cumbria YFC continuing their success at area level by winning the Northern Area Stockman, Northern Area Weekend and Northern Area Field Day competitions

Training and Standards:

With the lifting of covid restrictions, the young farmers were able to carry out their officer training in both the Northern and Southern Districts. This furnished the club chairs, secretaries and treasurers with the necessary tools to carry out their roles and helped them to get their clubs back on track. We are delighted to note that despite the difficulties of the last two years, all 25 clubs are still up and running, providing friendship, training and support for their members.

Cumbria YFC also completed the NFYFC County on Track accreditation tool in the spring and summer of 2021 with great success. Covering programmes and activities, membership, staff and volunteers, communication, partnerships, leadership and governance, planning ahead, finance and policies and guides, Cumbria YFC scored highly achieving 5 golden wellies and 5 green wellies for their work practices and developments in these areas.

Fundraising, Community and Charity Work:

The young farmers managed to continue with fundraising activities during the pandemic, with the Southern District organising a sponsored sky dive to raise funds for both Cumbria YFC and the Calvert Trust. This was an incredible feat, with the date of the sky dive being rescheduled 3 times due to covid restrictions. Drigg YFC from the Northern District organised a very successful tractor run to raise funds for the NHS and to bring cheer to their local community.

Outside of fund raising, our members continued to help out in their communities, with all 10 clubs from the Southern District helping with the setting up, queue management and car parking of covid clinics. On a smaller but equally important scale, young farmers helped out vulnerable people living in their local areas, shopping, collecting medication and checking that they were ok.

The Coming Year:

The aims for Cumbria YFC for the coming year will be centred on continuing to re-build the organisation following the pandemic. Re-engaging with our members and being able to run events, competitions and activities will be of great importance as will fund raising in order to replenish our reserves.

Our objectives will be to:

- Increase membership to pre-pandemic figures.
- Ensure that elected club officers are given training and support to fulfil their roles.
- Encourage members to take part in competitions at club, district, county, area and national level.
- Host 2 successful District Field Days.
- Encourage members to plan fundraising and volunteering activities.

In addition, the Making of life-long friends, developing of skills, undertaking training to build on and broaden personal and collective skills set and generally enriching the lives of our members is what being a young farmer is all about and we will work hard to ensure that this continues.

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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 if 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 charities 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.

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)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:


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

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	JOANNE MILLS	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHIEF OFFICER	
Date	29/7/2022	

The Cumbria Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs

Financial Statements for the Year

Ended 30 September 2021

The Cumbria Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs

Charity Information for the Year Ended 30 September 2021

PRESIDENT	J Emmott
CHAIRMAN	N Curr
TREASURER	K Batty
CHIEF OFFICER	J Mills
ADDRESS	Civils Store Barbary Plains Eden Hall, Penrith CA11 8SR
CHARITY NUMBER	504834
BANKERS	HSBC Market Square Penrith Cumbria CA11 7SN
AUDITOR	R Smith, HSBC

The Cumbria Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs

Statement of Financial Activities

30 September 2021

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds <i>Note 1</i>	Total 30.9.2021	Total 30.9.2020
INCOMING RESOURCES				
CCC Service level agreement	20,000	-	20,000	20,000
Club levies	-	-	-	55,505
N & S Contributions	16,000	-	16,000	32,000
N & S Levy Contributions	28,760	-	28,760	-
Competition, course fees, raffles, office & sports entries	-	-	-	310
Cumberland & Westmorland Show	6,000	-	6,000	-
Entertainment/Drama takings	-	-	-	232
Northern Area income	-	-	-	319
Year book sponsorship	320	-	320	1,090
Bank interest	1,450	-	1,450	1,577
Donations	-	-	-	128
Cumbria Community Foundation	-	-	-	5,500
Francis C Scott Charitable Trust	-	22,500	22,500	-
Total Incoming Resources	72,530	22,500	95,030	116,661
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Wages, social security & pensions	27,881	7,302	35,183	51,556
Travel & staff expenses	-	-	-	1,057
Training & DBS costs	-	-	-	88
Club Training	-	-	-	150
Chairman's honorarium 2021	1,000	-	1,000	-
Chairman's honorarium 2020	1,000	-	1,000	-
Treasurer's honorarium	-	-	-	-
Office expenses	4,824	2,528	7,352	14,117
Rent	-	200	200	-
Competition & meeting expenses	1,701	-	1,701	3,866
Year book	325	-	325	814
National levy & associated costs	33,442	-	33,442	40,256
Bar & dance expenses	-	-	-	655
Entertainment/Drama expenses	-	-	-	32
Insurance	9,669	-	9,669	10,375
Northern Area expenses	-	-	-	572
National expenses	978	-	978	977
Tug of War expenses	80	-	80	180
Bank charges	63	-	63	65
Total Resources Expended	80,963	10,030	90,993	124,760
Net Incoming Resources	- 8,433	12,470	4,037	- 8,099
Fund balances brought forward	137,758	10,701	148,459	156,558
Balances carried forward	129,325	23,171	152,496	148,459

The Cumbria Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs

Balance Sheet 30 September 2021

	30.09.21	30.09.20
CURRENT ASSETS		
Clothing stocks	800	800
Sundry debtors	22,000	0
Current account	26,874	29,798
Cash in hand	252	52
Cumberland BS deposit	99,590	108,140
Prepayments	3,180	9,669
	<u>152,696</u>	<u>148,459</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Sundry creditors	<u>200</u>	<u>0</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS	152,496	148,459
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>152,496</u></u>	<u><u>148,459</u></u>
FINANCED BY:		
Reserves brought forward	148,459	156,558
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year	4,037	(8,099)
	<u><u>152,496</u></u>	<u><u>148,459</u></u>

Treasurer

Kevin Batty

Auditor

Richard Smith, HSBC

Note 1

RESTRICTED FUNDS	£
Officer & Member training	-
Lazonby YFC closed funds	1,719
Abbeytown YFC closed funds	5,284
National Youth forum	380
Office technology fund	790
Francis C Scott Charitable Trust	14,998
	<u>23,171</u>



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name

The Cumbria Federation of Young Farmers Clubs

On accounts for the year ended

30 September 2021

Charity no (if any)

504834

Set out on pages

(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's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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:

Date:

28/7/22

Name:

RICHARD SMITH

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

Address:

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KIRKHAM

PRESTON FY4 2ZE

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.

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