



The countryside charity  
Wiltshire

The Campaign to Protect Rural England Wiltshire  
(A company limited by guarantee)

Registered Company No: 07127110  
Registered Charity No: 1134677

**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 29TH FEBRUARY 2024**

**Reference and Administrative Detail of the Company/Charity and its Directors/Trustees**

The following persons served as Trustees of the Charity and as Directors of the Company during the year ended 29th February 2024:

Anne Victoria Helen Henshaw (Chair)  
Annabelle Beatrice Sanderson (resigned 1st March 2023)  
John Eaton  
Katherine Jane Fielden (died 21st July 2023)  
Michael Jeremy Hodges  
Nicholas John Stokes  
Anthony Joseph Henry Cohen (Honorary Treasurer)  
Andrew James Longland (resigned 15th June 2023)  
Roberta Mary Gillmore (appointed 14th December 2023)

**Company registration number**

07127110

**Charity registration number**

1134677

**Registered office**

7 Bell Yard  
London  
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**Administration office**

CPRE Wiltshire  
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**Independent examiner**

Phil Chow, Member of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy

**Bankers**

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62 Fore Street  
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Wiltshire  
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 29TH FEBRUARY 2024

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £	Prior Year Funds £
<b>Income</b>				
Donations and legacies	10,322		10,322	14,879
Charitable activities	19,485		19,485	3,337
Investment Income	1,311	305	1,616	907
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>31,118</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>31,423</b>	<b>19,123</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>				
Raising funds	3,908	505	4,413	8,894
Charitable activities	27,347	1,435	28,782	17,439
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>31,255</b>	<b>1,940</b>	<b>33,195</b>	<b>26,333</b>
<b>Net operating income/(expenditure)</b>	<b>(137)</b>	<b>(1,635)</b>	<b>(1,772)</b>	<b>(7,210)</b>
Net gains/(losses) on investments	(6,641)	(1,544)	(8,185)	(3,506)
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>	<b>(6,778)</b>	<b>(3,179)</b>	<b>(9,957)</b>	<b>(10,716)</b>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>				0
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>(6,778)</b>	<b>(3,179)</b>	<b>(9,957)</b>	<b>(10,716)</b>
Total funds brought forward	75,188	17,018	92,206	102,922
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>68,410</b>	<b>13,839</b>	<b>82,249</b>	<b>92,206</b>



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 29TH FEBRUARY 2024

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total This Year £	Total Last Year £
<b>Fixed assets</b>				
Investments	63,197	13,839	77,036	90,221
<b>Total fixed assets</b>	<b>63,197</b>	<b>13,839</b>	<b>77,036</b>	<b>90,221</b>
<b>Current assets</b>				
Stocks	200		200	200
Debtors			0	405
Cash at bank and in hand	5,424		5,424	2,329
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>5,624</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,624</b>	<b>2,934</b>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	<b>411</b>		<b>411</b>	<b>949</b>
<b>Net current assets/(liabilities)</b>	<b>5,213</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,213</b>	<b>1,985</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>68,410</b>	<b>13,839</b>	<b>82,249</b>	<b>92,206</b>
<b>Total net assets or liabilities</b>	<b>68,410</b>	<b>13,839</b>	<b>82,249</b>	<b>92,206</b>
<b>Funds of the Charity:</b>				
Restricted Funds		13,839	13,839	17,018
Unrestricted funds	68,410		68,410	75,188
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>68,410</b>	<b>13,839</b>	<b>82,249</b>	<b>92,206</b>

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 accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

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 on behalf of the Board of Directors/Trustees, on 14th March 2024, by:

Anthony Cohen, Honorary Treasurer, Director & Trustee

Anne Henshaw, Chair, Director & Trustee



**FINANCIAL REVIEW AND NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - YEAR ENDED 29TH FEBRUARY 2024**

**Accounting Policy**

The Charity has prepared its accounts in accordance with Charities SORP (FRS102).

**Going Concern**

These accounts have been prepared on a "going concern basis" due to there being no material uncertainties.

**Reserves Policy**

The Charity has reserves of £82,249 (2022-23: £92,206). £77,036 is invested to produce an income. The Charity made a loss of £9,957 in the year including a capital loss on its investments of £8,185. Funds of £5,000 were transferred from the investments to the Charity's bank account in the year to 28th February 2024 in order to fund the ongoing revenue deficit. The capital sum invested is sufficient to fund approximately 3 years of expenditure at current levels without any other source of income. In view of the poor performance over the last few years, the investment policy has been reviewed and over the first two months of 2024, a modest rise in the value of the investments was achieved.

The Charity holds some £13.839 of funds which were previously held by the four distinct areas of Wiltshire CPRE. The use of these funds is restricted to requests from those areas and the funds are, therefore shown as Restricted.

**Investment Policy**

The Trustees policy is to invest the majority of its reserves within a broad spread of collective investments in order to provide capital growth and an income.

**Tangible & Intangible Fixed Assets**

The Charity's only fixed assets are the investments which had a value of £77,036 (2023: £90,221) at the year end.

**Income**

The major and most reliable source of income to the Charity is its subscription share provided through the CPRE National Office. This increased by approximately 7% compared to the previous year. During the year, the Charity received a legacy of £8,814 from the estate of Mary Dickson Deceased. Other sources are donations, legacies, investment income, sponsorship and events.

The income from events is modest and some concern still exists with regard to the long-term financial sustainability of the Best Kept Village Competition.



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## FINANCIAL REVIEW AND NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### Expenditure

The most significant recurring item of expenditure of the Charity is the employment of two part time staff who assist the Districts and Trustees in their work in pursuit of the charitable objectives of the organisation. The costs of these staff are managed by the Chair.

The Charity spent £6,090 during the year on external consultancy to assist the Trustees in their work in pursuit of the charitable objectives of the organisation.

### Payment to Trustees and Staff

None of the Trustees are paid, other than expenses, for their work.

The Charity has two main part-time paid staff members (Project Officer and Administrator); the total staff cost in the year was £14,367 (2023: £10,043).

### Related Party Transactions

During the year, the Charity paid approximately £300 (2023: £400) to Futurum Consulting Ltd, a company wholly owned by one of the Charity's Trustees, Andrew Longland. This cost was for software that Futurum Consulting Ltd provided to the Charity, and this cost was agreed by the Board of Trustees.

### Independent Examiner's Report

The Charity's accounts have been examined by Independent Examiner, Phil Chow, a Member of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy, and he has confirmed that the Charity has maintained proper records and that there are no matters to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



**Section A Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/directors/members of**

**The Campaign to Protect Rural England Wiltshire**

**On accounts for the year ended**

29<sup>th</sup> February 2024

**Charity no.:**

1134677

**Company no.:**

07127110

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I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 29th February 2024

**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**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention 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.

**Signed:**

**Date:**

6/4/24

**Name:**

Phil Chow

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

Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy

**Address:**

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Trowbridge  
Wiltshire, BA14 7LE

**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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