

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

CHARITY
COMMISSION

Period start date

Period end date

From

1

Aug

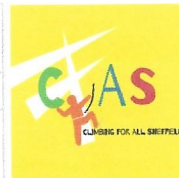
2018

To

31

July

2019



Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Climbing for All Sheffield

Other names charity is known by

CfAS

Registered charity number (if any)

1166860

Charity's principal address

100 Marlcliffe Road

Sheffield

Postcode

S6 4AG

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	Nick Whittaker	Chair		
2	Ruby Whittaker			
3	George Smith			
4	Jenny Hands			
5	Clare Hands			
6	Ben Conway			
7	Robin Whittaker			
8	Hazel Whittaker			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by meeting of trustees

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.

The charity runs climbing sessions at The Foundry Climbing Centre, Sheffield. Sessions are supervised by The Foundry's instructors. The Foundry's procedures are followed, including safety procedures for climbing, and The Foundry's recording of parent/guardian consent for children and for adults under guardianship.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

THE OBJECT OF THE CIO IS THE PROMOTION OF COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN HEALTHY RECREATION IN PARTICULAR BY THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR PARTICIPATING IN CLIMBING ACTIVITIES FOR THE RESIDENTS OF SHEFFIELD AND SURROUNDING AREAS.

In more detail, the objects of the charity are:

1. To provide opportunities for children, young people and adults

with a wide range of disabilities to access and enjoy rock climbing and mountaineering and be visible and included in the climbing community in Sheffield.

2. To increase levels of participation of children, young people and adults with a wide range of disabilities in rock climbing and mountaineering, in order to:
 - Improve their physical development, health and wellbeing;
 - Improve their self-image and self-esteem; and
 - Develop their confidence and ability to communicate and interact with other people.
3. To develop a strong and sustainable network of instructors with the qualifications, skills and experience needed to confidently help children, young people and adults with a wide range of disabilities to access and enjoy rock climbing and mountaineering.

Trustees acted throughout the period to provide public benefit:

PROMOTING COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN HEALTHY RECREATION IN PARTICULAR BY THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR PARTICIPATING IN CLIMBING ACTIVITIES FOR THE RESIDENTS OF SHEFFIELD AND SURROUNDING AREAS.

A climbing club continued throughout the year, providing opportunities for children, young people and adults with a wide range of disabilities to access and enjoy climbing in Sheffield.

Operating at The Foundry Climbing Centre, the club enabled disabled climbers to be visible and included in the climbing community in Sheffield. Involvement of volunteers from the climbing community, and development of experience amongst volunteers and instructors, promoted climbing as a recreation for children, young people and adults with disabilities.

Taster sessions were held, providing opportunities for disabled climbers to try climbing, many of whom subsequently climbed with the club.

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)

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.

Volunteers are essential to the operation of climbing activities. Many of the charity's climbers require assistance of one or two side-climbers with belayers for climber and side-climber(s), and person to support upward lift with pulley.

Whilst instructors are employed by The Foundry and are paid, volunteers are unpaid, keeping cost of sessions affordable.

Friendly interactions with volunteers make climbing sessions fun for many climbers, while the involvement of most volunteers in various aspects of climbing is a major contributor to the visibility of disabled climbers in the climbing community.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

In its third year of operation, Climbing for All Sheffield continued to hold term time sessions throughout the year.

Around 46 sessions were held during the year, on weekday evenings and at weekends, including several small taster sessions at which new climbers could try out equipment and discover how they would like to climb, and an induction session for training volunteers.

This compares to around 32 sessions the previous year: more sessions were arranged so that each session could involve fewer climbers and volunteers, thereby reducing crowding at The Foundry. A single Foundry instructor was hired to supervise these smaller sessions.

The trustees are very pleased that both children and adults have been represented at the club, with a variety of physical, cognitive and sensory impairments and/or autism. The club has provided opportunities for families to climb together, with non-disabled siblings or children getting an opportunity to climb alongside disabled family members.

Around 28 climbers climbed with the charity during the year, with varying levels of regularity. Overall participation levels were similar to last year, and satisfyingly high.

One climber transitioned to climbing with a mainstream Foundry junior club, supported by a volunteer from the charity through the year. Acceptance of differently abled climbers in mainstream climbing, and experience gained by Foundry instructors in assisting differently abled climbers, are both very much aims of Climbing for All Sheffield.

Around 20 volunteers helped at sessions over the course of the year, in addition to 4 trustees who volunteer sometimes or regularly at sessions.

In addition to climbing sessions, a Christmas party was held at the Burton Street foundation's Bamforth Building venue.

The charity maintained its profile through the year, with regular posts and photographs on its Facebook page. Social media provided opportunities to publicise and promote accessible climbing, and supported fundraising.

Exploiting the British Mountaineering Council's fundraising initiative, the charity organised a major fundraising event, which was a climb (in equivalent metres) of Norway's famous Trollveg ("Troll Wall"). Many of the charity's climbers and volunteers took part in the climb and fundraised for the event.

The Foundry contributed greatly to this event, not just in hosting it but in publicising it and collecting donations from other climbers. The role of The Foundry in providing a base for the charity's activities is gratefully acknowledged.

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Our reserves position: at end of FY (July 2019) unrestricted funds stood at £3630.

Annual expenditure FY18 (July 2018 – July 2019) amounted to £1834, thus the ratio of reserves to annual expenditure was greater than 100%.

Costs were lower than in FY18 due to single instructors at sessions: previously sessions laid on for just 1 or 2 climbers had 2 instructors regardless. Fundraising was less than the previous year but comfortably covered the subsidy of sessions.

Policy on reserves will be reviewed alongside operational planning and financial review.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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

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

The attached financial report sets out key income and expenditure headlines.

Principle costs are for instructors to lead climbing sessions, at £1,676 in FY18. Income from sessions was £554: the charity remains committed to providing climbing opportunities to all, regardless of their ability to pay, and non-subsidised pricing would be prohibitive to many CfAS climbers.

Kit donated by sponsors last year remained in operation through the year and was supplemented by modest purchases amounting to £98. Note that equipment items are not listed as assets because monetary transfer of equipment would not be feasible.

Principle income was from fundraising and donations, at £1,724.

On 28th February 2019, the charity opened a new bank account, with NatWest. This enabled online banking, meaning that BACS payments could be made, and incoming payments viewed. £100 compensation was received from HSBC after difficulties with the former HSBC account, from which funds were transferred.

FY 2019 also saw a new online fundraising platform. After the closure of BT's MyDonate platform, a donations site was set up on wonderful.org.

The trustees are proud of the charity's success to date and consider it to be their duty and privilege to further expand climbing opportunities, enjoyment and inclusion for the disabled community.

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s) NLWLAK Jenny

Full name(s) NICHOLAS WITFALLER JENNY HANDS

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) CHAIR OF TRUSTEES TRUSTEE

Date 16/11/2020



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Climbing for All Sheffield

No (if any)
1166860

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01-Aug-18

To

Period end date
31-Jul-19

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Session payments from climbers	545	-	-	545	880
Events income	-	-	-	-	-
Merchandise	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising & donations	1,724	-	-	1,724	4,184
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	2,269	-	-	2,269	5,064
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	2,269	-	-	2,269	5,064
A3 Payments					
Session costs (instructors)	1,676	-	-	1,676	2,040
Events (Christmas party)	60	-	-	60	60
Merchandise (hoodies)	-	-	-	-	-
Equipment	98	-	-	98	560
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,834	-	-	1,834	2,660
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,834	-	-	1,834	2,660
Net of receipts/(payments)	435	-	-	435	2,404
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	3,195	-
Cash funds this year end	3,630	-	-	3,630	3,195

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories

Details

Unrestricted funds to nearest £

Restricted funds to nearest £

Endowment funds to nearest £

B1 Cash funds

Bank account

3,630
-
-
3,630

-
-
-
-

-
-
-
-

Total cash funds

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

B2 Other monetary assets

Details

Unrestricted funds to nearest £

-
-
-
-
-
-

Restricted funds to nearest £

-
-
-
-
-
-

Endowment funds to nearest £

-
-
-
-
-
-

B3 Investment assets

Details

Fund to which asset belongs

Cost (optional)

-
-
-
-
-

Current value (optional)

-
-
-
-
-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details

Fund to which asset belongs

Cost (optional)

-
-
-
-
-
-
-
-
-

Current value (optional)

-
-
-
-
-
-
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-
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B5 Liabilities

Details

Fund to which liability relates

Amount due (optional)

-
-
-
-
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When due (optional)

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Nicholas Whitaker
Jenny Hands

Print Name

NICHOLAS WHITAKER
JENNY HANDS

Date of approval

14/11/2020
17/11/2020