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Annual Report and Financial Statements

31 March 2020



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Reference and Administrative Details

Charity name	Morecambe Bay Partnership	
Charity registration number	1173489	
Principal office	Unit 9C The Factory Castle Mills Aynam Road KENDAL LA9 7DE	
Registered office	Unit 9C The Factory Castle Mills Aynam Road KENDAL LA9 7DE	
Trustees	R Greenwood, Chair until January 2020	
	T Burditt, Chair from January 2020	
	Z S Begolo	(appointed 1 July 2020)
	A Chester	(resigned 30 September 2019)
	A D Finan	(appointed 1 July 2020)
	M Holroyd	(appointed 1 July 2020)
	E Parsons	
	K Powell, Vice-chair	
	Dr W D Shannon	(appointed 1 July 2020)
	M Turner	
	G Young	(appointed 1 July 2020)
Accountant	Dodd & Co Limited FIFTEEN Rosehill Montgomery Way Rosehill Estate CARLISLE CA1 2RW	

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Trustees' Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2020

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

Welcome from Chair of Trustees

Thanks to you, and all our supporters, 2019'20 was another successful year for the Partnership. It marked the opening of a new chapter for us as we completed the transition from our longstanding relationship with Cumbria County Council to operating as a fully independent Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

Alongside this important transition we continue to deliver our cross-sector work encompassing arts, access, culture, heritage, nature and tourism.

Our special thanks go to the many wonderful volunteers who make such an extraordinary contribution, getting involved, getting grubby clearing bracken, or dusty in the archives and giving up their time to keep the Bay's beaches clean.

It is hard not to mention the impact of the pandemic, just starting to hit at the end of this reporting period. Thanks to our ever-resourceful staff team and the investments we have made in governance, we held a strong position working through the challenges.

And we still see exciting times and great opportunities ahead with the local authorities working more closely together as the Lancaster and South Cumbria Economic Region, and plans gaining pace for an Eden Project North in Morecambe.

My thanks to all the staff, partners, funders and to you, for playing your part.

Tom Burditt, Chair of Trustees, August 2021

Structure, Governance and Management

Structure – Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)

Morecambe Bay Partnership is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), registered with the Charity Commission (Registered Charity Number 1173489). It was incorporated on 20 June 2017, having previously operated as an unincorporated organisation since November 2001 (Registered Charity Number 1089559).

Governance and Trustees

The charity's governing document is the constitution available here:

https://tinyurl.com/y3fcanjz

The Chief Executive Officer of the charity during this period was Susannah Bleakley (resigned 13 August 2021).

Management

Trustees meetings are held every 3 months. Trustees are appointed following an open recruitment process.

Risks

Trustees have reviewed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and systems or procedures have been put in place to manage those risks. A risk register is reviewed at each quarterly trustee meeting.

Objects and Public Benefit

Objects

The objects of the Charity are:

- To promote the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment of
 Morecambe Bay for public benefit, in particular through the protection and maintenance of the Bay's coastal and marine environments.
- 2) To advance the education of the public in the natural and cultural history, conservation, environment and management of Morecambe Bay.

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To develop the capacity and skills of the members of the socially and economically disadvantaged
community of Morecambe Bay in such a way that they are better able to identify, and help meet, their needs and to participate more fully in society.

To provide or assist in the provision of facilities in the interest of social welfare for recreation or leisure time occupation of individuals in the Morecambe Bay area who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age infirmity or disability, financial hardship or social circumstances with the object of improving their conditions of life.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. The Charity fulfils its objects and delivers its public benefit as described below:

The public benefits that flow from our objects namely

Object 1 (promotion of conservation), Object 2 (education), Object 3 (supporting community especially disadvantaged) and Object 4 (recreation) include:

- (a) An enhanced environment, leading to improved health and a better quality of life for the public
- (b) Raised awareness and understanding of local natural and cultural heritage, environmental issues and the richness of local heritage as well as the context of how this fits to wider global issues
- (c) An enhanced quality of life and sense of well-being through stronger connectedness and engagement with the people, nature and stories that live in our locality
- New and increased opportunities to engage and participation in activities and events that bring people
 (d) together, leading to greater social cohesion and fulfilment, improvements in physical and emotional well-being, guality of life and a more stable and cohesive community;
- (e) Enhanced active citizenship and involvement in community life.
- New facilities, events and opportunities for some of the most disadvantaged to participate in activities (f) including access to the outdoors, cycling, walking and other artistic endeavours enhancing sense of well-being and belonging.

Achievements and performance

Main Activities of Year

Conserve - Birds, Natural Ambassadors, Curlews,

Celebrate – Bird totems, Heritage Open Day, events programme

Connect – Trampers, Bay Cycle Way development

Collaborate – New partnerships with University of Cumbria (Back On Our Map - BOOM), The Rivers Trusts (Wholesale Approach to Marine Management, WAMM), RSPB and other partners in the Life on the Edge programme

Strengthen – the long-standing relationship with Cumbria County Council came to a close and the Chairty operated as a fully free-standing Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Our volunteers activity flourishes with our volunteers making significant contributions towards the following ativities:

- Conservation of historic monuments, including clearing bracken from Birkrigg stone circle, and monitoring the condition of Jenny Browns Point and Kirkhead Tower.

- Beach cleans - a total of 561 volunteers helped to keep our beaches attractive healthy places for us all to enjoy.

- Caring for Morecable Bay's wildlife and bird, looking after roosting and nesting birds, habitat management and scrub clearance.

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Financial Review

The charity operated a surplus of £115,600 during the period and had closing unrestricted funds of £199,870 of which \pounds 90,000 was designated as a contingency fund.

Reserves policy

Morecambe Bay Partnership's policy is to hold in reserves an amount of money to cover financial emergencies, risks, and allow the organisation, if necessary to close down in good order and complete all its obligations so that nobody would be left out of pocket should that be necessary.

The level of the reserves has been set so that it is sufficient to cover 4 months full operating costs, redundancy payments, and an element for HR and legal advice plus an additional emergency/contingency cost.

At the year end free reserves were £174,196 which meets the reserves policy.

The reserves policy and the reserves limits are reviewed quarterly at each Trustees meeting.

Impact of COVID 19

This report is being written (August 2021) after 16 months of the COVID pandemic. The first lockdown (end March 2020) had only just begun at the very end of the reporting period. As with every organisation, our plans have been redrawn as we managed the rapid and frequent changes and challenges of the pandemic and its impact.

In response, the Morecambe Bay Partnership has embraced digital working and the whole team had been developing their digital skills. The staff team pulled together, working from home but demonstrating admirable resilience and collaborating effectively and energetically. At the start of the pandemic we paused recruitment, even though there were vacancies. As our situation became clearer we were pleased to recruit new staff and our team is currently growing. Only two staff took part-time furlough for a short time to get through the challenges of home-schooling.

We have worked on shorter than usual planning cycles throughout 2020, but during the first half of 2021 we have completed a quick review of our strategic plans.

Plans for the future

Our goals for 2021-25 remain structured around the following objectives:

- 1. **Celebrate** and encourage understanding and enjoyment of the Bay area's natural, cultural and historic assets;
- 2. Conserve the unique wildlife, culture and heritage of Morecambe Bay;
- 3. Connect people with their place and with one another to improve their quality of life;
- 4. Collaborate with key partners and the local community; and
- 5. Strengthen and improve the resilience of our organisation.

We are particularly excited to be embarking on new programmes funded by Coastal Communities Fund to extend the Bay Cycle Way and projects to make Morecambe Bay a centre for cycling and walking.

Alongside this we continue to

- Work in partnership with many local organisations and individuals
- Celebrate and conserve the natural and cultural heritage of the Bay and
- Take a dynamic and cross-sector approach in developing opportunities to bring benefits to the Bay's communities.

Trustees' Report for the Year Ended 31 March 2020

Approved by the Trustees on 16 September 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

T Burditt Trustee

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Trustees' Responsibilities in relation to the Financial Statements

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provisions of the trust deed. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection fraud and other irregularities.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of

Morecambe Bay Partnership

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2020, which are set out on pages 8 to 19.

Your attention is to drawn to the fact that the Charity has prepared the financial statements in accordance with 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) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has since been withdrawn.

We understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5) (b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act 2011; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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16 September 2021

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2020

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2020	Total Funds 2019 as restated
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	94,162	252,967	347,129	166,694
Investment income	3	-	-	-	132
Other income	4	2,643	3,182	5,825	8,421
Total income		96,805	256,149	352,954	175,247
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds		26,390	-	26,390	-
Charitable activities		-	210,964	210,964	108,619
Total expenditure		26,390	210,964	237,354	108,619
Net incoming resources before transfers		70,415	45,185	115,600	66,628
Transfers Gross transfers between funds		11,234	(11,234)	<u> </u>	
Net movements in funds		81,649	33,951	115,600	66,628
Reconciliation of funds Total funds brought forward		118,221	112,577	230,798	164,170
Total funds carried forward		199,870	146,528	346,398	230,798

The notes on pages 10 to 19 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2020

	2020				2019 restated	
	Note	£	£	£	£	
Fixed assets Tangible assets	10		25,674		28,800	
Current assets Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	11 _	2,549 329,080 331,629		847 205,400 206,247		
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	(10,905)		(4,249)		
Net current assets			320,724	-	201,998	
Net assets			346,398	•	230,798	
The funds of the charity:						
Restricted funds in surplus			173,621		112,577	
Restricted funds in deficit BOOM Orsted Total restricted funds			(14,398) (12,695) 146,528	-	- - 112,577	
Unrestricted funds Unrestricted income funds			199,870	_	118,221	
Total charity funds			346,398	-	230,798	

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

Approved by the Board on 16 September 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

T Burdit Trustee

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The notes on pages 10 to 19 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2020

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019.

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following 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) rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities:Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Basis of preparation

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going concern

The Charity has considered whether the use of the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate. To do this, they have considered whether there are any material uncertainties as to the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. They have carried out this assessment for a period of at least one year from the date of approval of these accounts.

Following the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, the trustees have prepared detailed budgets to take into account the uncertainties surrounding the pandemic. As a result of this review the trustees remain confident that there are financial resources available to see the charity through until normal operations resume and are satisfied that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Fund accounting policy

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds set aside at the discretion of the trustees for specific purposes.

Further details of each fund are disclosed in note 15.

Income and endowments

Donations and legacies including donations, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature are recognised where there is entitlement, probability of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Government grants are recognised based on the accrual model and are measured at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are classified as relating either to revenue or to assets. Grants relating to revenue are recognised in income over the period in which the related costs are recognised. Grants relating to assets are recognised over the expected useful life of the asset. Where part of a grant relating to an asset is deferred, it is recognised as deferred income.

Investment income is recognised on a receivable basis.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2020

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Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

Costs of generating funds are the costs of trading for fundraising purposes.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Support costs

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, for example, allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

Fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £100 or more are initially recorded at cost.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Plant and machinery

20% reducing balance basis

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Operating leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged in the statement of financial activities on a straight line basis over the lease term.

Pensions

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are charged in the statement of financial activities as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2020

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2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
Donations and legacies				
Appeals and donations	919	184	1,103	1,083
Grants				
Other Grants	-	12,723	12,723	165,611
Areti	-	13,300	13,300	-
Cumbria County Council	91,243	128,958	220,201	-
CWAAS	-	15,040	15,040	-
DEFRA	2,000	-	2,000	-
Environment Agency (LmB)	-	25,000	25,000	-
Natural England	-	5,000	5,000	-
NLHF	-	2,218	2,218	-
Thames Estuary Partnership	-	2,000	2,000	-
The Rivers Trust	-	20,000	20,000	-
United Utilities (LmB)	-	25,000	25,000	-
University of Cumbria (BOOM)	-	3,544	3,544	-
- , , ,	93,243	252,783	346,026	165,611
	94,162	252,967	347,129	166,694

Of the donations and legacies income in 2019 £1,804 related to unrestricted funds and £164,890 related to restricted funds.

3 Investment income

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds	Total Funds
	Funds	Funds	2020	2019
	£	£	£	£
Interest on cash deposits			-	132

All of the investment income in 2019 related to unrestricted funds.

4 Other income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
Other income				
Map sales	1,098	3,033	4,131	5,309
Other income	1,545	149	1,694	3,112
	2,643	3,182	5,825	8,421

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All of the other income in 2019 related to restricted funds.

5 Total resources expended

	Operating activities	Project costs	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£
Direct costs				
Purchases	-	157	157	-
Direct costs	62	9,381	9,443	47,421
Wages and salaries	10,782	123,814	134,596	42,484
Staff NIC (Employers)	-	7,831	7,831	-
Staff pensions	1,044	10,439	11,483	1,805
Subcontract cost	102	31,483	31,585	12,780
Telephone	-	24	24	1,786
Travel and subsistence	121	6,538	6,659	-
Depreciation of plant and machinery	6,032		6,032	-
	18,143	189,667	207,810	106,276
Support costs				
Wages and salaries	83	1,889	1,972	26
Staff training	151	761	912	
Rent	816	5,304	6,120	-
Water rates	22	199	221	217
Insurance	3,463	2,439	5,902	276
Repairs and maintenance	 19	78	97	-
Telephone	76	1,393	1,469	296
Computer software and maintenance costs	599	1,332	1,931	55
Printing, postage and stationery	275	1,252	1,527	-
Trade subscriptions	103	105	208	252
Sundry expenses	364	332	696	-
Advertising	-	574	574	-
Accountancy fees	1,479	1,764	3,243	795
Independent examiner's fee	550	-	550	-
Bookkeeping fees	213	3,848	4,061	-
Bank charges	34	27	61	426
-	8,247	21,297	29,544	2,343
	26,390	210,964	237,354	108,619

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6 Governance costs

	2020	2019
	£	£
Accountancy fees	3,243	795
Independent examiner's fee	550	-
	3,793	795

7 Trustees' remuneration and expenses

No trustees received any remuneration during the year.

8 Employees' remuneration

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management) employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2020 No.	201 9 No.
Charitable activities	7	2
The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:		
	2020 £	2019 £
Wages and salaries	136,568	42,510
Social security	7,831	-
Other pension costs	11,483	1,805
	155,882	44,315

No employee received salaries and fees of more than £60,000 during the year.

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9 Taxation

The registered charity is exempt from taxation on income and gains.

10 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and machinery including motor vehicles £
Cost	
As at 1 April 2019	36,000
Additions	2,906
As at 31 March 2020	38,906
Depreciation	
As at 1 April 2019	7,200
Charge for the year	6,032
As at 31 March 2020	13,232
Net book value	
As at 31 March 2020	25,674
As at 31 March 2019 (as restated)	28,800

Morecambe Bay Partnership owns seven totem poles and a public artwork called 'The Ship'. The Trustees are unable to obtain a reliable estimate of the fair value of these assets. On this basis the assets have not been recognised in the balance sheet.

11 Debtors

	2020	2019 as restated
	£	£
Trade debtors	2,168	847
Prepayments and accrued income	381	-
	2,549	847

12 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2020	2019 as restated
	£	£
Trade creditors Accruals and deferred income	8,605	4,249
	2,300	-
	10,905	4,249

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13 Pension scheme

Defined contribution pension scheme

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension cost charge for the period represents contributions payable by the charity to the scheme and amounted to $\pounds11,483$ (2019 - $\pounds1,805$).

There were no outstanding or prepaid contributions at either the beginning or end of the financial year.

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14 Related parties

Controlling entity

The charity is controlled by the trustees.

15 Analysis of funds

	At 1 April 2019 as restated	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 M arch 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Designated Funds Contingency		<u> </u>		90,000	90,000
General Funds Unrestricted	118,221	96,805	(26,390)	(78,766)	109,870
Restricted Funds					
Areti Project	10,000	13,300	(9,843)	(158)	13,299
Arnside Viaduct	18,780	-	-	-	18,780
Bay Cycle Way	-	-	(1,668)	1,668	-
Birds	-	214	-	(210)	4
BOOM	-	3,544	(13,836)	(4,106)	(14,398)
CCC Natural England		0.050	(0.000)		
2016	-	9,950	(2,206)	-	7,744
CCF III	7,654	105,276	(41,539)	(2,274)	69,117
CGP - Ulverston Council	-	1,000	-	-	1,000
Forests, Footprints and		15,040			15,040
Fauna	- 15,936	17,818	- (18,270)	- (101)	15,383
H2H LT MGT	19,308	17,010	(12,192)	(101)	6,985
Halpin	19,500	- 11,150	• • •	225	260
Lancaster Canal	-		(11,115)	(1,239)	11,030
LOVEmyBEACH	12,577	49,039	(49,347)	(1,239)	3,030
Natural England Wildfowl	-	5,000	(1,970)	-	
Orsted	-	-	(12,695)	-	(12,695)
Resilliant Heritage	28,322	2,218	(30,632)	92	-
Sea Changers	-	600	(391)	-	209
WAMM		22,000	(5,260)	(5,000)	11,740
	112,577	256,149	(210,964)	(11,234)	146,528
	230,798	352,954	(237,354)	-	346,398

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Areti Project - A fund awarded by The Areti Charitable Trust. Project aims - to give 240 children, some brilliant, rich, memorable, joyful experiences of nature through visiting Sunderland Point.

Arnside Viaduct - This project aims to connect the community with, and develop the business case for, the development of a new foot/cycle bridge over Arnside Viaduct, a significant coastal heritage asset.

Birds and Orsted (Walney Extension Fund) - The project focusses on the local community and their everyday lives. A far reaching awareness-raising campaign will make it easier and more appealing for people to appreciate local places, shift how they use them and reduce harm to birds. The project will support and train community volunteers to become natural ambassadors; empowering them to become long term volunteers who will continue their work beyond the life of the project. Key partners involved in this project are the RSPB and Natural England (NE).

BOOM - A collaboration with the University of Cumbria, funded by the National Lottery Heritage Fund. The Back On Our Map (BOOM) project delivers a number of outcomes for both environmental heritage and peoples' experience of it. The project aims to transform the biodiversity of South Cumbria by undertaking species reintroductions across the landscape, and to similarly transform its people and communities to generate lasting change, and continued natural heritage restoration led by the community once the BOOM project ends.

CCC - Natural England 2016 - Continuation of the Natural Ambassadors project and fund the provision of nature related projects within the charity.

CCF III (Coastal Communities Fund – Round 3) - This concerns 'Destination Morecambe Bay' – a scheme which aims to make Morecambe Bay the best and most inspired example of sustainable tourism growth in the UK, creating a 'must visit' destination, and supporting businesses to deliver more jobs. The Scheme aims to accelerate growth in the visitor economy, and market Morecambe Bay as a whole destination offering exciting visitor experiences. Funds to be used in the management of Tramper provision within the area. Trampers are all-terrain mobility scooters which are safe to use on most kinds of rough ground but also on pavements and walkways and provide access to the countryside for those who may not always feel they are able to.

CGP – Ulverston Council - This funding supports volunteer conservation work at Birkrigg Common which contains three nationally important (scheduled) archaeological monuments, including a rare concentric stone circle. The sites are under threat from bracken and neglect and have been on the Heritage at Risk Register. Work has begun on site - namely long-term protection by supporting seasonal vegetation clearance by teams of local volunteers. Volunteers work with experts to conserve nationally important heritage and ecological sites.

Forests, Footprints and Fauna - CWAAS (Cumberland & Westmorland Antiquarian and Archaeological Society) - This is a volunteer-led research project entitled 'Footprints, Forest and Fauna' on the palaeoenvironmental deposits of Cumbria/Morecambe Bay. Such deposits and features are regularly exposed in Morecambe Bay. The project seeks to expand research, recording and understanding of submerged forests, exposed footprints, faunal assemblages and palaeoenvironmental deposits around the Cumbrian coastline, with a particular focus on the Furness Peninsula and Duddon Estuary.

H2H LT MGT - Headlands 2 Headspace – Long Term Management - To continue the work of the H2H project and maintain the upkeep of the Birds of the Bay sculptures and continuation of the Morecambe Bay Lives Projects.

Halpin - This grant has helped Morecambe Bay Partnership to develop new skills and implement activities which move to diversify our income from being wholly reliant on grants to include income from individuals and legacies.

Lancaster Canal - Regeneration Project is a dedicated partnership of local authorities and charities who are currently working together to create an accessible and interpreted Kendal to Lancaster Towpath Trail. This flagship project aims to improve accessibility and interpretation along the Lancaster Canal.

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LOVEmyBEACH is a public engagement campaign focused on improving beaches and bathing water quality across the North West – Morecambe Bay Partnership works with funders United Utilities (UU), and the Environment Agency (EA), covering the Morecambe Bay and Cumbria region. We work with local authorities, schools, businesses and youth groups to spread LOVEmyBEACH messages.

Natural England (NE) Wildfowl - A partnership project between Natural England and Morecambe Bay Partnership the purpose of which is to further positive management of Morecambe Bay and Duddon Estuary Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) though support for stakeholders who are in a position to support the delivery of conservation objectives. Specifically, funding to facilitate the Wildfowlers liaison meetings.

Sea Changers - A project to provide equipment and training to kick-start a new volunteer group to ring birds in Morecambe Bay. A new ringing group for Morecambe Bay achieves much better data to support coastal bird conservation.

WAMM - (Wholescale Approach to Marine Management) is a 16 month project funded by the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund (EMFF) and hosted by The Rivers Trust. The aim of the project is to support a collaborative approach to the management of estuarine and coastal waters in and around Morecambe Bay; chosen as the primary pilot location.

Restricted funds in deficit at the year end are cleared by grants received post year end, where entitlement to the funds had not occurred before 31 March 2020.

16 Transfers

Transfers between funds reflects underspends in restricted funds being transferred to unrestricted funds and the splitting of restricted funds further to show a more accurate split.

17 Net assets by fund

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2020	Total Funds 2019 as restated
	£	£	£	£
Tangible assets	25,674	-	25,674	28,800
Current assets	185,101	146,528	331,629	206,247
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	(10,905)		(10,905)	(4,249)
Net assets	199,870	146,528	346,398	230,798