



Trustees' Annual Report for the period						
		Period start date		Period end date		
From	01	Jan	2023	To	31	Dec 2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

GERRARDS CROSS GOLF CLUB	
CHALFONT ST PETER	
GERRARDS CROSS	
Postcode	SL9 0QA

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	MAGS KELLY	CHAIR	01 JAN – 31 DEC 2023	
2	JOHN VICTOR	TREASURER	01 JAN – 23 FEB 2023	Stood down at AGM 2023
3	MARTIN CURTIS		01 JAN - 31 DEC 2023	
4	ANDREW BANT		01 JAN – 31 DEC 2023	
5	BEN WARD		23 FEB 2023 – 31 DEC 2023	
6	ALISTAIR YOUNGMAN		23 FEB 2023 – 31 DEC 2023	
7	JOYDEEP MUKHERJEE	TREASURER	19 APR 2023 - 31 DEC 2023	Elected at SGM 2023
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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)	UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATION
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	ELECTED BY MEMBERSHIP AT AGM / SGM

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.

Day to day operational management is by an elected committee operating within the Charities Rules and Regulations and Policies.

- BSAR Constitution
- BSAR Rules & Regulations / Governance Protocol
- BSAR Operating Responsibility
- BSAR Financial Management Policy

BSAR operates as a member team of Lowland Rescue and maintains relations with other member teams in the local area. We work on behalf of Thames Valley Police.

BSAR's financial year is the calendar year but the AGM at which trustees are elected is typically held in February, so during the financial year 2023 two sets of trustees were in office, the first until the February 2023 AGM and the second thereafter. Treasurer stood down at AGM Feb 2023 – and a replacement was elected to office via SGM April 2023, during this time the remaining Trustees had oversight of the accounts. No significant expenses/incomes took place.

Section C	Objectives and activities
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Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	“The relief of sickness and protection and preservation of public health, in particular by the provision of search and rescue assistance, first aid, event marshalling and safety cover, both independently and in association with the full-time emergency services and other voluntary aid societies.”
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)	Bucks Search & Rescue also known as BSAR is a registered charity 1073134 had 4 Trustees at the start of 2023 with a Trustee having resigned during 2022, then 5 trustees post AGM and until April when the 6th (Treasurer) was elected. <i>Note from 2022 - Trustees made a decision to continue with the 4 remaining Trustees for the rest of the year and they consisted of the Chairperson, Treasurer and the 2 other members.</i> Bucks Search & Rescue (BSAR) is a team of volunteers available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to support the emergency services. BSAR's main role is to assist Thames Valley Police with vulnerable missing person searches across Buckinghamshire and to assist other Search and Rescue teams who are affiliated to Lowland Rescue (LR), in the surrounding counties. It is also available to travel further afield should there be a national callout. BSAR is also available to assist other emergency services including Buckinghamshire Councils in the event of a major incident or providing support during inclement weather. BSAR members are trained to a national standard and the team provides foot, bike, water, air and search management capability to assist the police in their search for high risk vulnerable missing people. In 2023 BSAR have responded to 58 incidents with a total number of 1345 incident hours. The Trustees are thankful and hugely appreciative of the massive dedication and work undertaken by each and every member of the team.

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

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	2023 was a busy year operationally and saw the long awaited onboarding of our new Incident Control Unit, the largest ever investment the organisation has made into equipment, but one of the most crucial. i) Our People – Our membership programme was put on hold in 2023 so that we could implement our new Organisational Design to support the team's growth and preparation for moving to CIO charity status. We also spent time developing the team capabilities and qualifying a number of new Team Leaders. ii) Our Infrastructure – we continued the work to develop our governance framework, we had the Organisational Design approved by the membership at AGM and implemented. An SGM in September saw the proposed new constitution for CIO application approved by membership, and we are now working in 2023/2024 to submit this. We continued to develop policies and procedures and assets in preparation for moving to a CIO organisation. iii) Our Finances – We finished the year in a healthy position with £21,239 through the hard work of the team supporting events, and generous donations and grants. At the close of the financial year we maintained our reserves at £4,000, which is approximately 25% of the basic running costs per year. iv) Our Activities – having regard to Charity Commission guidance on public benefit, our core activity remains supporting Thames Valley Police and/or other agencies and search teams in finding high risk and vulnerable missing people in Buckinghamshire and neighbouring counties. Alongside that we have been adaptable and flexible to try and respond to any need for help that we can meet whilst remaining within our charitable objectives and meeting the public benefit test. In 2023 BSAR continued to enhance its Air and Water teams by extending capacity and capabilities. The Drone team continued to qualify more team members to GVC standard. BSAR also re-aligned it's Medical Training programme in line with national protocol from Lowland Rescue. We are all volunteers and we work with others, for others, wherever we can add value and remain true to our charitable objectives.

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Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	During 2023 we retained our strategic reserve to the value of £4,000 to ensure the charity could meet its obligations through any short-term disruption to our fundraising. This represents about 25% of the basic running costs per year.
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.	As a charity we raise funds through supporting events and use our social media pages to generate awareness and receive donations. We are usually supported through grants and donations for specific projects which we retain in restricted funds until spent. The spend for the conversion of the new Incident Control Unit is one such example in 2023.

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)	M Kelly	
Full name(s)	Margaret Kelly	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	22 June 2024	

ExpensesOperational Costs

	SMS-R	£	-
	Expenses	£	-
	Vehicle Fuel	£	589.51
Training	Search	£	-
	Water	£	-
	Medical	£	-
	Other	£	567.36
Equipment	Office	£	-
	Boat/water	£	591.70
	Radios	£	-
	Bikes	£	-
	Medical	£	1,608.00
	Drones	£	1,799.44
	PR	£	-
	New CV	£	28,518.64
	Other	£	236.51
Insurance	Team	£	-
	Building	£	-
	Van	£	3,322.27
	Boat	£	443.51
IT	J2 Global	£	135.34
	SARMAN	£	1,080.00
	Other	£	2,069.26
Personal Kit	Uniform	£	1,488.18
	ID Badges	£	11.10
Other Expenses	Member Expenses	£	155.22
	Bar Expenses	£	-
	Bank Charges	£	68.76
	LR Subs	£	110.00
	Medical Cover	£	-
	HQ - Containers	£	2,540.30
	HQ Renovations	£	-
	HQ Rental	£	1,560.00
	Vehicle Maintenance	£	2,171.16
	Vehicle Purchase	£	20,973.60
	Vehicle Tax	£	1,255.00
	ICO registration	£	35.00

Total Expenses	£	71,329.86
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Balance Brought Forward

£ 62,746.89

Income

Collection tins	£	-
Donations	£	4,438.95
Events	£	3,654.00
Courses	£	150.00
Uniform Sales	£	669.50
HMRC VAT Refund	£	6,879.47
Refunds	£	732.13
Bar Income	£	-
Office rental	£	900.00
Grants	£	32,666.00

Total Income	£	50,090.05
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Summary	
Balance Brought Forward	£ 62,746.89
Total Income	£ 50,090.05
Total Expenditure	£ 71,329.86
Balance Carried Forward	£ 41,507.08



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JOYDEEP MUKHERJEE
(TREASURER)
04/03/2024.



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

Bucks Search & Rescue

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 December 2023

**Charity no
(if any)**

1073134

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 31 December 2023.

**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 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.

Signed: Harsh Singh

Date: 31/05/2024

Name: Harsharan Singh

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

FCA (ICAEW)

Address:

3, St Denis Close, Maidenhead, SL6 0FH

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.

Bucks Search and Rescue	1073134
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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01/01/2023	To	Period end date 31/12/2023
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	4,439		-	4,439	4,918
Collection Tins			-	-	-
Event Services	3,654		-	3,654	9,686
Grants	26,000	6,666	-	32,666	16,269
Provision of Training	-		-	-	-
Reimbursement	7,612		-	7,612	3,231
HQ Office Rental	900		-	900	1,800
Other	819		-	819	592
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	43,424	6,666	-	50,090	36,496
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	43,424	6,666	-	50,090	36,496
A3 Payments					
Training	567		-	567	2,315
Equipment Purchase and Repair	1,935	1,992	-	3,927	7,395
Vehicle Upkeep and Fuel	4,015	-	-	4,015	3,327
Insurance & Affiliation	4,289		-	4,289	3,510
HQ Costs	4,100	-	-	4,100	3,962
Communications and IT	3,285	-	-	3,285	2,893
Publicity & Fundraising Costs		-	-	-	-
Uniform	1,499	-	-	1,499	4,815
Members Expenses	155	-	-	155	697
Sub total	19,845	1,992	-	21,837	28,914
A4 Asset and investment purchases					
Second RIB		-	-	-	2,000
New ICU (Vehicle)		49,492	-	49,492	3,709
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				-	-
				-	-
Sub total	-	49,492	-	49,492	5,709
Total payments	19,845	51,484	-	71,329	34,623
Net of receipts/(payments)	23,579	- 44,818	-	- 21,239	1,873
A5 Transfers between funds			-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	22,423	40,324	-	62,747	28,797
Cash funds this year end	8,771	32,736	-	41,507	30,670

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	Current Account	8,771	32,736	-
				-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	8,771	32,736	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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)
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	