

# **Cuan Wildlife Rescue**



## **Report and Accounts**

**31<sup>st</sup> December 2020**

Registered Charity Number 1096812

# **CUAN WILDLIFE RESCUE**

## **LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

### **Principal address and registered office**

Cuan Wildlife Rescue  
Stretton Road  
Much Wenlock  
Shropshire  
TF13 6DD

### **Trustees**

Mr James Ashley  
Mr Doug Hughes  
Mr Jeff Davis  
Mr Andrew Woodhouse  
Mrs Anna Nicholas  
Mr Reg Gregg

### **Manager**

Mrs Anna Nicholas

### **Operations Director**

Mr Sean Nicholas

### **Founder**

Megan Morris-Jones

### **Bankers**

Barclays Bank  
65/66 High Street  
Bridgnorth  
Shropshire  
WV16 4EE

### **Legal Status**

Charity registration number – 1096812  
Established under Trust deed dated 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2003

# **CUAN WILDLIFE RESCUE**

## **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

The trustees are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020.

### **STUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

#### **Governing document**

Cuan Wildlife Rescue is a registered charity constituted under a Deed of Trust (dated 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2003). Registered charity number 1096812.

#### **Governance**

The Charity is governed by the Trustees and meetings are held as and when required but at least annually. Additional Trustees can be appointed by the existing Trustees. All newly appointed Trustees and existing Trustees are reminded of their responsibilities.

#### **Risk Management**

The Trustees have identified the major risks which face the charity and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the effect of those risks. The matter will be kept under review.

#### **Organisation**

The Trustees meet as necessary to discuss the affairs and management of the charity. The trustees are happy to leave the day to day running of the charity to the Manager, Anna Nicholas and Operations Director, Sean Nicholas. In the event of any single item of expenditure in excess of £1000, this is presented to the Trustees for their decision.

**The aims and objectives of the charity continue to be;**

- To relieve the suffering of sick wild animals by;***
  - Rescuing, caring for and rehabilitating injured, orphaned or distressed wild animals***
- To advance the education of the public in the care and rehabilitation of wild animals***
- To undertake research or assist others undertaking research in the field of wildlife rehabilitation.***

Cuan Wildlife Rescue is a Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre where we take in sick, injured or orphaned wild animals and birds, with the aim of nursing them back to health. Once fully recovered, great emphasis is placed on returning them back to the area from where they came, where they may have a mate waiting, or where at least they will be familiar with their territory or hunting-ground.

We are the only centre in Shropshire open all day all year round – and out of hours for emergencies – where a wildlife casualty will receive on arrival immediate first-aid treatment in the form of pain relief, fluid therapy, warmth and treatment for shock as appropriate. We work closely with the Severn Edge Veterinary Centre in Much Wenlock and Bridgnorth.

## Achievements

2020 proved to be our busiest year on record. 5740 casualties were treated, a 20% increase from the previous year. In particular increases were seen in the number of swans admitted with totalled to 127 and also hedgehogs as we admitted 1339. We had an exceptionally busy autumn with many hedgehogs coming in small and sickly. We once again worked closely with RSPCA Stapeley Grange. When they were full in the summer season, we admitted wildlife which would otherwise have gone to them from Birmingham and the West Midlands.

Due to the Covid lockdown and restrictions, our usual fundraising events such as the Open day, Summer ball, Vintage car and craft show and many more, had to be cancelled. We utilised online platforms and held virtual quiz nights, auctions, competitions and held a virtual open day. We also organised and hosted a successful Virtual Christmas Fair. In 2021 we have plans for more virtual and online events and very much look forward to when we can hold our usual events again.

Due to the increase in the number of admissions and calls regarding injured wildlife and the volume of young animals and birds that required feeding, we employed extra workers from May to September. The hours covered by staff were 84 per week. This enabled the wildlife hospital to be staffed from 8am until 8pm seven days a week. Outside these hours, finders are advised to email or message on social media where volunteers pick up messages and can give advice or arrange a rescue ensuring a 24/7 rescue response to injured, orphaned or sick wildlife.

We are lucky to have some wonderful volunteers working with us, who give up one or two days a week to help with the wildlife. During the summer, this number increases due to the increase in work. As well as volunteers, we also provide placements for work experience students from schools, colleges, and universities. The placements range from two weeks to a year. We enjoy working with the students as we believe education plays a vital part in the future of wildlife rehabilitation and conservation.

Our charity shop in Much Wenlock is continuing to be successful, even in such a challenging year, and provides the charity with a regular income each month. We have two part time managers who are supported by a lovely team of volunteers, many who have been with us since it opened. The volunteers are a vital aspect in the running of the shop, and the time and work they put in is very much appreciated. Our second shop in Shrewsbury opened in January 2020, again with such a difficult year with lockdowns etc, it has been difficult to get a true reflection of the success of this.

During 2020 we have received grants from several trusts including The Animal Rescue Foundation Ltd, The Marchig Animal Welfare Trust, The Hobson Charitable Trust, Edna Smylie Memorial Foundation, The Daniell Trust, The Ludford Trust, The Geoff Hill Charitable Trust, Michael and Shirley Hunt Charitable Trust, and Rose Animal Welfare Trust. These, along with others, donated towards the building of new aviaries, a new waterfowl enclosure and a rescue vehicle. The aviaries and waterfowl pool were in constant use over the summer months. We are incredibly grateful to all the trusts who have awarded us money. Due to the large increase in our animal admissions, in 2021 we will be seeking other grants for a second hospital building and operating costs.

Donations of food for the wildlife from members of the public and businesses amounted to approximately £14,000. Having this amount donated makes a huge difference to our running costs.

We continue to deliver talks to adult groups around the county as well as educational talks to school children and other youth groups where we can, abiding by the Covid restrictions.

## Financial Review

Total income for the year was £396,540.89

Expenses for the year were £346,946.67

This gives a profit of £49,594.22

### Major Sources of income for the year:

Charity Shops	£118,417.47
Membership/Sponsorship	£1,108.00
Donations	£185,492.80
Events	£17,772.20
Sales	£8,906.79
Interest	£55.63
Standing orders	£11,138.00
Trusts and Grants	£53,650.00

The figure for donations is pleasing, as is the one for standing orders. The charity shops have been successful, all be it within a difficult and challenging year.

We continue to be supported by the RSPCA Shropshire Branch who give us a generous monthly donation towards our vet bills.

### Major expenses for the year:

Charity Shops	£100,529.75
Food	£2,925.24
Fundraising and Publicity	£18,148.28
Building & Maintenance	£40,788.93
Sundries	£1,596.12
Vet Bills	£9,903.66
Staff Wages	£116,551.75
PAYE, Nat Ins, Emp Ins	£19,788.88
Transport	£16,896.68
Utilities	£4,866.00
Telephone & Postage	£372.00
Other Direct Charitable Costs	£8,506.33
Other Management and Admin Costs	£6,073.05

Significant one-off expenses included the previously mentioned waterfowl pool and rescue vehicle.

Payroll costs continue to account for a large percentage of the charity's expenses. There is an increase this year with the addition of more members of staff throughout the summer months. We aim to keep salary costs as low as possible whilst ensuring that our employees are appropriately remunerated for their work.

**In summary**, the Trustees feel the charity's financial position is stable and the end of year surplus is good news. As year on year expenses continue to increase it will be necessary to continue to closely monitor costs, particularly around wages and building costs. It is necessary to continue to seek funding from existing and new sources in order to continue to maintain and improve facilities.

## **Future Plans for 2021**

- To continue to provide our care and rehabilitation services for injured wildlife.
- To further improve facilities for the care and rehabilitation of casualties at each stage of their care.
- To continue to provide a good learning environment for students and other work experience placements.
- To continue to raise funds for the day to day running of the wildlife centre.
- To continue to run a charity shop in Much Wenlock and Shrewsbury.
- To look to building a second hospital building as overflow during the summer months.

## **Reserves Policy**

Financial reserves are necessary to support the charity in case of difficulty. However, the charity is solely reliant upon donations, charity shop income, grants and legacies to build the reserve level. At the end of the year the charity held reserves to continue for up to 5 months. It is agreed that the reserves need to be increased this year if funding permits.

## **Related parties**

There are no related party transactions for within the charity.

## **TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES**

Charity law 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 surplus or deficit for that year. In preparing these financial statements the trustees are required to;

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- Prepare the financial statements on the ongoing concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue to operate.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at the time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

For and on behalf of the Trustees of  
Cuan Wildlife Rescue

Anna Nicholas, Trustee  
Date 17/01/2019

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED**  
**31ST DECEMBER 2020**

**INCOME**

Donations	£146,418.44
Legacies Receivable	£15,500.00
Bank Interest received	£55.63
Miscellaneous Income	£116,149.35
Charity Shop Income	£118,417.47
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>£396,540.89</u></b>

**EXPENDITURE**

Direct Charitable Costs	£191,357.23
Management and Administration	£36,911.41
Fundraising and Publicity	£18,148.28
Charity Shop Expenses	£100,529.75
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>£346,946.67</u></b>

<b>PROFIT FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b><u>£49,594.22</u></b>
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CUAN WILDLIFE RESCUE

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020

**Fixed assets** - please see note on page 10

**£**

Tangible assets	163,849.63
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**Current Assets**

**£**

Cash at bank and in hand	96,505.37
Animal food stocks	2,500
Animal equipment	1,000
Other stock	1,000
	101,005.37

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**TOTAL ASSETS**

**£264,855.00**



## Cuan Wildlife Rescue Asset Register 2020

Asset – Fixed assets include land, buildings, equipment or any item over £100 when bought or donated.

### Fixed assets and depreciation

Fixed assets are included at cost and Cuan Wildlife have adopted a policy to depreciate all fixed assets except freehold land, hospital building and permanent structures. Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful economic life.

New hospital and permanent buildings – 20 years' straight line

Plant and machinery – 25% straight line

Office equipment – 25% straight line

	<b>Land and Buildings £</b>	<b>Plant, Machinery etc £</b>	<b>Other £</b>	<b>TOTAL £</b>
<b>As of 31<sup>st</sup> Dec, 2020</b>	150,791.08	10,808.57	2,250	163,849.65



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the  
accounts

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Cwm Wildlife Rescue

On accounts for the year  
ended

31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2020

Charity no  
(if any)

1096812

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

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

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. *Delete [ ] if not applicable.*

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:

9-2-21

Name:

NATALIE ANN PARK

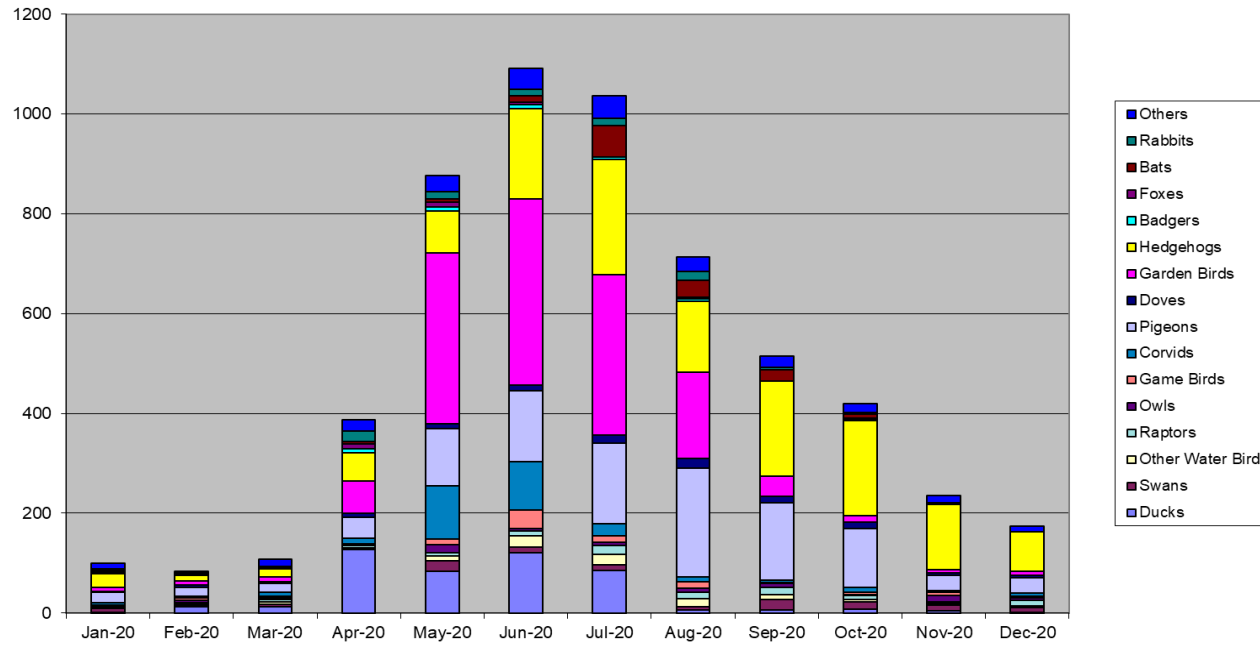
Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body (if  
any):

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## Cuan Wildlife Monthly Species 2020

Category	Total	%	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Badgers	41	0.71%	2	2	1	8	9	8	4	4	0	1	2	0
Bats	162	2.82%	4	0	3	5	5	13	63	35	23	9	1	1
Canada Geese	25	0.44%	0	0	2	0	4	6	6	3	1	0	2	1
Corvids	288	5.02%	4	3	7	12	106	98	24	10	5	9	4	6
Deer	37	0.64%	3	1	1	1	3	3	6	2	2	6	5	4
Doves	111	1.93%	3	5	4	8	10	12	16	19	13	13	4	4
Ducks	466	8.12%	1	12	12	127	84	120	85	6	6	8	4	1
Foxes	36	0.63%	2	1	1	10	10	5	1	3	0	3	0	0
Game Birds	102	1.78%	2	5	3	0	12	37	13	14	1	5	6	4
Garden Birds	1368	23.83%	7	9	9	65	342	373	321	173	40	13	7	9
Hedgehogs	1339	23.33%	28	10	16	56	84	180	231	143	191	191	131	78
Mammals	15	0.26%	0	0	3	2	0	6	2	2	0	0	0	0
Owls	77	1.34%	2	4	4	3	17	5	7	8	9	2	12	4
Pigeons	1068	18.61%	21	18	18	42	114	141	162	217	155	118	31	31
Rabbits	94	1.64%	2	3	1	20	16	14	14	17	4	3	0	0
Raptors	98	1.71%	3	4	5	4	5	9	17	13	14	8	4	12
Reptiles/Amphibians	9	0.16%	1	0	0	0	5	0	2	0	0	0	1	0
Rodents	172	3.00%	6	1	8	17	21	25	36	20	14	10	9	5
Squirrels	26	0.45%	1	0	1	3	1	6	0	6	5	1	0	2
Swans	127	2.21%	8	3	5	4	20	12	11	6	21	15	12	10
Other Water Birds	74	1.29%	0	2	3	0	7	17	16	13	9	4	1	2
Others	5	0.09%	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0
No Value	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	5740	100.00%	100	83	108	387	876	1091	1037	714	515	419	236	174

Cuan Wildlife Admissions



Month	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Jan	12	12	26	31	32	25	39	43	60	46	31	53	41	29	32	51	43	118	43	46	33	56	47	54	63	61	100
Feb	7	12	21	22	29	26	33	36	63	49	29	38	50	25	43	29	28	55	46	45	29	47	39	38	66	93	83
Mar	23	25	23	27	34	60	68	45	65	92	50	56	69	58	43	50	43	63	76	59	73	63	51	70	96	126	108
Apr	21	25	46	42	120	137	115	98	122	114	108	139	100	89	83	95	118	134	159	88	134	162	194	242	251	273	387
May	48	60	48	104	138	134	142	197	195	191	179	170	221	198	197	201	196	182	235	219	235	309	289	348	568	663	876
Jun	66	87	104	85	153	148	181	216	174	189	237	272	248	208	184	226	238	220	319	278	303	498	437	648	779	759	1091
Jul	47	83	88	113	149	146	141	174	151	198	193	232	201	171	236	229	165	255	278	377	337	368	486	616	809	878	1037
Aug	22	49	65	84	96	102	117	110	147	153	131	146	158	156	148	177	184	152	181	210	230	296	376	446	470	634	714
Sep	26	40	58	99	88	84	96	115	129	143	119	121	125	103	106	122	128	128	159	149	193	202	264	353	312	501	515
Oct	15	30	32	50	73	71	74	86	126	95	121	74	89	81	74	96	103	97	106	127	89	193	149	264	216	381	419
Nov	11	25	41	42	53	48	63	53	77	41	44	64	66	59	72	56	65	59	86	73	71	102	121	173	138	310	236
Dec	8	30	30	47	39	24	34	45	42	50	40	29	23	42	50	55	65	31	45	55	63	44	67	103	86	126	174
<b>Total</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>582</b>	<b>746</b>	<b>1004</b>	<b>1005</b>	<b>1103</b>	<b>1218</b>	<b>1351</b>	<b>1361</b>	<b>1282</b>	<b>1394</b>	<b>1391</b>	<b>1219</b>	<b>1268</b>	<b>1387</b>	<b>1376</b>	<b>1494</b>	<b>1733</b>	<b>1726</b>	<b>1790</b>	<b>2340</b>	<b>2520</b>	<b>3355</b>	<b>3854</b>	<b>4805</b>	<b>5740</b>

## Creatures Cared For At Cuan Wildlife - 2020

Species	Source			History				PTS	Geographical Split			Total Intake
	RSPCA	Member Of Public	Referred By Vets	Survived 1st 48 Hours	Released	In Care	Percent Survived 1st 48 Hours		Casualties Received From Outside Shropshire	Casualties Received From Inside Shropshire	Percent Of Casualties From Inside Shropshire	
Ducks	7	446	13	416	379	0	89.27%	15	39	427	91.63%	466
Swans	8	119	0	113	95	4	88.98%	9	35	92	72.44%	127
Other Water Birds	4	86	9	58	46	0	58.59%	29	32	67	67.68%	99
Raptors	4	85	9	47	36	3	47.96%	33	21	77	78.57%	98
Owls	0	68	9	38	25	3	49.35%	32	10	67	87.01%	77
Game Birds	1	96	5	41	29	0	40.20%	25	15	87	85.29%	102
Corvids	15	252	21	131	79	1	45.49%	119	68	220	76.39%	288
Pigeons	39	993	36	428	209	5	40.07%	561	198	870	81.46%	1068
Doves	5	98	8	67	32	1	60.36%	40	26	85	76.58%	111
Garden Birds	34	1286	48	658	383	0	48.10%	197	179	1189	86.92%	1368
Hedgehogs	19	1279	41	763	337	107	56.98%	161	406	932	69.66%	1339
Badgers	4	37	0	29	17	0	70.73%	16	23	18	43.90%	41
Foxes	2	34	0	20	17	0	55.56%	10	14	22	61.11%	36
Bats	0	149	13	89	63	0	54.94%	23	38	124	76.54%	162
Rabbits	5	81	8	48	31	0	51.06%	29	11	83	88.30%	94
Others	3	257	4	121	89	0	45.83%	69	49	215	81.44%	264
Totals	150	5366	224	3067	1867	124	53.43%	1368	1164	4575	79.72%	5740

Total number of creatures admitted to Cuan House in 2020	5740
Number of the above released to the wild or still in care	1991
% success rate disregarding those that died in the first 48 hours	65%