



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/06/21

Period start date To 31/05/22

Period end date

Charity name: Red Squirrel South-West Project Ltd

Charity registration number: 1138484

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<b>Promoting the preservation and conservation of the red squirrel and its habitat in the South-West of England</b>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<b>Public engagement and outreach continued via Wildwood Escot's red squirrel enclosure and via social media. Also invested in an education pack focusing on red squirrel conservation and wildlife, targeted at children and schools.</b> <b>Also launched the Exmoor National Park (ENP) project, working with ENP, landowners and the public to clear grey squirrels to allow natural regeneration of woodlands and to work towards the reintroduction of native red squirrels to the area.</b> <b>Helped to fund and roll out a grey squirrel trapping training course, in order to train interested members of the public how to safely and legally remove grey squirrels.</b>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit when reviewing aims and objectives and planning future activity.</b>

## Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
	Para 1.38	

Policy on social investment including program related investment		
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<b>We are grateful for the individual fundraising opportunities that our volunteers take on of their own accord to help support us. Similarly, this is extended to those that donate towards the project.</b>
Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p><b>A donation from Yeo Valley Token scheme and Waitrose charity donations enabled us to continue our work, as well as spreading the word of our charity and aims.</b></p> <p><b>A grant from the Forest Commission Woods into Management Forestry Innovation Fund has enabled the charity to launch the project with Exmoor National Park, hire trappers and officers from the local area and engage with the public about the project.</b></p> <p><b>The Grey Squirrel Management Training has allowed the charity to run a national course, endorsed by LANTRA, training registered members how to safely remove grey squirrels to a certified level.</b></p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	

Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<b>£47329 in bank account</b>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>The trustees aim to maintain free reserves in unrestricted funds for a period of 3 to 6 months.</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>£47329 in reserves</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>N/A</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<b>N/A</b>
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<b>The main risk to the charity comes from a loss of funding within the wildlife charity sector including grants and lack of donation from supporters.</b>

## Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<b>The main sources of income this year was from donations and grants, such as Amazon Smile Donation, Yeo Valley Token scheme, Waitrose token scheme, Mackintosh foundation and Forestry Commission grant.</b>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	<b>Finances will be put towards outreach and public engagement, in particular linked to the Exmoor National Park project and the surrounding areas. Raising the profile of the charity and building supporter network through activities such as fundraising and educational events.</b>
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document ( <a href="#">trust deed</a> , <a href="#">royal charter</a> )	Para 1.25	<b>Memorandum and articles of association incorporated 6<sup>th</sup> May 2010</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g <a href="#">unincorporated association</a> , <a href="#">CIO</a> )	Para 1.25	<b>Charitable company</b>
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<b>3 committee management meetings a year and 1 annual AGM, appointments and roles decided then.</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<b>RSSW is partnered with other wildlife charities such as Wildwood Escot, Exmoor National Park and receives support from other red squirrel charities like European Squirrel Initiative, Red Squirrel Survival Trust, UK Squirrel Accord. These partnerships provide the charity with support and information and enable us to keep up to date with the latest advice and knowledge.</b>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Red Squirrel South West Project
Other name the charity uses	British Red Squirrel
Registered charity number	1138484
Charity's principal address	Escot House Escot Park Ottery St Mary Devon EX11 1LU



**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	Charlotte Gannon	Trustee		Chairman
2	Patrick John Martin			
3	Charles Dutton			
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

Director name		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

John Michael Kennaway, Director
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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## Other optional information

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# INCOME AND EXPENSES JUNE 2021 – MAY 2022

## Profit and Loss Account *for year ending May 2022*

Opening Bank Balance as at 1 June 2021	44362.62
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<b>INCOME</b>	£	
Paypal Donations		19.52
Donations		1859.17
Frozen Dead Squirrels Sales (Exeter Uni)		777.00
Amazon Smile Donation		92.77
GSMT Income		4269.67
Yeo Valley Token Scheme Donation		1000.00
Waitrose Token Donation		333.00
Mackintosh Foundation		1000.00
Forestry Commission WIMFIF Grant		17203.03
Gift Aid (HMRC)		356.27

TOTAL Income	26910.43
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<b>EXPENSES</b>	£	
Admin		8084.00
Attendance to NAAONB Conference		10.00
GreenNet BRS Website		150.00
RSSW Website - SiteGround & 123Reg		187.05
RSSW Social Media Platform - Sendible		302.40
Social Media Manager		912.00
Policy Bee Charity Insurance		100.80
ENP Project Funding Contribution		4440.44
Escot Estate (Trap Box Materials for ENP)		442.94
ENP Project Trap Box Construction		744.67
O.Kennaway Education Pack Contribution		960.00
Help For Fundraising		2130.00
Postage Costs (Letters & GSMT Certificates)		19.93
GSMT Expenses		5406.89
Bauer Media		39.00
Companies House		13.00

TOTAL Expenditure	23943.12
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Bank Balance end of 31st May 2022	47329.93
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## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Charlotte Gannon	
Position (eg Chair, Secretary, etc)	Trustee and Director	
Date	02/02/2023	