

Bird Aid Trustee Annual Report

For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

Introduction

This Trustee Annual Report has been prepared for Bird Aid to outline our activities, achievements, financial position, and governance during the year ended 31 December 2024. Bird Aid is committed to the Learning disabled and autistic adult support activities including the rehabilitation, and release of Gulls, as well as to the education of the public regarding avian welfare and conservation.

Charity Details

Charity Name	Eastbourne Bird Aid CIO
Registered Charity Number	1143728

Objectives and Activities

Bird Aid’s primary objectives are: Written in our constitution we have to defined objectives but as a simplified statement, we support learning disabled and autistic adults without an adult social care service in our retail, hospitality and animal welfare activities. Over the Years our animal welfare site has become international known for the care and rehabilitation of Gulls.

Achievements and Performance

During 2024, Bird Aid has continued to expand its operations and strengthen its impact. Key achievements include:

We now own the animal welfare site

Isolation facilities have been improved to deal with the impact of avian flu.

Selected users, funded by the Lawson Trust had a suburb, self catering respite break to the Isle of Wight.

A full site inspection has revealed the facilities are reaching the end of the working lift and have become compromised by predators. This has meant immediate closure of those facilities until funding can be raised to rebuild with enhanced predator proofing. A full rebuilding plan has been formulated. This plan will be executed when funds are available. Until that time admissions with be limited.

We received funding from the national Lottery for part time support workers, which meant we could offer more users supported activities

We also had unrestricted funding for the Peoples Postcode Trust, with was a great help with core costs.

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Financial Review

Bird Aid relies on grants, donations, fundraising events, and the dedication of our volunteers. In 2024, total income was £114919, with expenditure of £94027, resulting in a net surplus/deficit of £20982. Key sources of income included:

- Individual donations
- Charitable grants
- Fundraising events

Expenditure was allocated as follows:

- Veterinary care and medical supplies
- Facility maintenance and improvement
- Educational outreach and materials
- Operational costs (rent, utilities, insurance, etc.)

Governance and Management

The Board of Trustees met regularly throughout the year to oversee the charity's strategic direction, financial management, and compliance with statutory requirements. No major governance issues were identified. The charity complies with all relevant UK charity regulations and best practice guidelines.

Plans for the Coming Year

Bird Aid's priorities for 2025 include:

- Maintaining our rescue and rehabilitation capacity through improved facilities.
- Developing our user engagement and training programmes.
- Developing new partnerships with animal rescue groups that align with our Values
- Securing additional funding to support our core activities.
- Continuing to monitor and improve governance and operational procedures.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations..

Thank You

Bird Aid wishes to thank all volunteers, supporters, donors, and partners for their invaluable support throughout the year. With your help, we continue to make a meaningful difference to the local leaning disabled and autistic adults. Also maintain the highest standards of welfare of Gulls in.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on



Signed on behalf of the Trustees: Julia Gould

[Insert Name], Chair of Trustees

Wendy Grice

Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

for

Eastbourne Bird Aid CIO

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for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

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Income Statement
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	31.12.24 £	31.12.23 £
TURNOVER	142,142	90,845
Other income	4,483	3,888
Cost of raw materials and consumables	(10,065)	(7,062)
Staff costs	(18,197)	(15,657)
Depreciation and other amounts written off assets	(3,277)	(4,370)
Other charges	(94,410)	(74,499)
Taxation	-	-
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PROFIT/(LOSS)	<u>20,676</u>	<u>(6,855)</u>

Balance Sheet
31 December 2024

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
FIXED ASSETS	207,141	13,109
CURRENT ASSETS	97,164	272,549
CREDITORS		
Amounts falling due within one year	<u>(22,046)</u>	<u>(22,275)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS	<u>75,118</u>	<u>250,274</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	282,259	263,383
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES	<u>(900)</u>	<u>(2,700)</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>281,359</u>	<u>260,683</u>
RESERVES	<u>281,359</u>	<u>260,683</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

Eastbourne Bird Aid CIO is a charitable organization, limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales. The organization's registered number and registered office address are as below:

Registered number: 1143728

Registered office: Unit 11 & 12 The Quintins
North Street
Hailsham
East Sussex
BN27 1DP

2. AVERAGE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

The average number of employees during the year was 4 (2023 - 2).

Balance Sheet - continued
31 December 2024

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the organisation keeps satisfactory accounting records
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of each financial year and of its profit or loss for each financial year

The charity's 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 members have not required the organisation to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements were approved by the trustees and authorised for issue on and were signed by:

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On behalf of the Trustees

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Eastbourne Bird Aid CIO

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31st December 2024.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the financial statements 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 the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission. I have reviewed the accounting records kept by the charity and made a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records and considered any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, 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 financial statements present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income did not exceed £250,000 your examiner is not required to be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a certified accountant registered with AAT.

I have completed my examination and can confirm that no matters have come to my attention:

(1) which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting records of the 2011 Act have not been met

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.

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with our terms of engagement. Our review has been undertaken so that we might state to the trustees those matters that we have agreed with them in our engagement letter and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the organisation and the organisation's trustees for our work, for this report or the conclusions we have formed.

Sara Hawkins MAAT
John Harris Associates Ltd
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Eastbourne
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Date:

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Trading and Profit and Loss Account
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	31.12.24		31.12.23	
	£	£	£	£
Turnover				
Sales	65,227		64,613	
Donation	23,047		19,332	
Charitable grants	<u>53,868</u>		<u>6,900</u>	
		142,142		90,845
Cost of sales				
Opening stock	350		350	
Purchases	10,015		7,062	
Food and Bedding	15,207		13,778	
Veterinary and Medical	1,141		948	
Waste Disposal	1,821		1,974	
Carriage inwards	395		174	
Direct labour cost	<u>3,077</u>		<u>-</u>	
	32,006		24,286	
Closing stock	<u>(300)</u>		<u>(350)</u>	
		<u>31,706</u>		<u>23,936</u>
GROSS PROFIT		110,436		66,909
Other income				
Insurance claim income	1,362		-	
Deposit account interest	<u>3,121</u>		<u>3,888</u>	
		<u>4,483</u>		<u>3,888</u>
		114,919		70,797
Expenditure				
Packaging	17		16	
Rent	28,800		28,860	
Rates and water	6,638		1,800	
Light and heat	10,568		2,229	
Wages	18,197		15,657	
Hire of plant and machinery	420		1,102	
Telephone	1,684		1,041	
Post and stationery	327		121	
Advertising	592		186	
Travelling	232		-	
Motor expenses	1,391		1,648	
Licences and insurance	2,967		2,538	
Respite trip	2,183		1,642	
Repairs and renewals	10,365		9,575	
Fund raising expense	244		630	
Work Clothing	358		777	
Computer costs	-		320	
Sundry expenses	<u>1</u>		<u>1</u>	
Carried forward	84,984	114,919	68,143	70,797

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	31.12.24		31.12.23	
	£	£	£	£
Brought forward	84,984	114,919	68,143	70,797
Transaction Charges	884		113	
Accountancy	1,764		1,677	
Subscriptions	1,753		2,082	
Legal fees	1,365		624	
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets				
Plant and machinery	2,374		3,165	
Fixtures and fittings	729		972	
Computer equipment	174		233	
		<u>94,027</u>		<u>77,009</u>
		20,892		(6,212)
Finance costs				
Bank charges		<u>216</u>		<u>643</u>
NET PROFIT/(LOSS)		<u>20,676</u>		<u>(6,855)</u>

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Detailed Balance Sheet
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	31.12.24 £	31.12.23 £
FIXED ASSETS		
Freehold property	195,840	-
Plant and machinery	8,591	9,494
Fixtures and fittings	2,187	2,917
Computer equipment	<u>523</u>	<u>698</u>
	<u>207,141</u>	<u>13,109</u>
 CURRENT ASSETS		
Stocks	300	350
Bank acc 1 - Current	7,823	15,143
Bank acc 2 - Savings	51,885	256,056
User activity	30,147	500
Animal fund	<u>7,009</u>	<u>500</u>
	<u>97,164</u>	<u>272,549</u>
 CREDITORS		
Amounts falling due within one year		
Bank account no. 6	(130)	(132)
Trade creditors	-	81
Social security and other taxes	(138)	(138)
Loan from charity sponsor	(21,000)	(21,000)
Wages and salary control acc	<u>(778)</u>	<u>(1,086)</u>
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Retained earnings	<u>281,359</u>	<u>260,683</u>

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