

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date	
From	01 01 2024	To	31 12 2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

The Cameron Besselka Trust

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1156567

Charity's principal address

St Giles House

St Giles Hill

Winchester

Postcode

SO23 0HH

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	Corinne Cruickshank	Chair		
2	Kevin Besselka			
3	Megan Besselka			
4	Nicholas Besselka			
5	Sienna Besselka			
6	Nicola Bryant		Resigned 08.10.24	
7	Clare Talks			
8	Alasdair Robertson			
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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)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by existing Trustees

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.

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Section C Objectives and activities

To promote the education and knowledge of young people in relation to conservation and protection of our natural world. Our aim is to ensure

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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)

With this objective, we funded the restoration of Cameron's Cottage in the RSPB Franchises Lodge nature reserve within the New Forest. It can sleep up to 19 people and provides a sustainable place where groups of young people can experience and learn about the natural world.

Since opening in 2022 we have hosted many groups of young people from all walks of life to stay at Cameron's Cottage and benefit from time spent in nature. All camps funded were to groups who needed financial help.

We also continue to fund other activities and projects that will enable young people to enjoy, appreciate and learn about nature, wildlife, and conservation.

Details of all our work is on our website www.cameronbespolka.com

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.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Cameron's Cottage

In partnership with the RSPB we have had another very busy year supporting Cameron's Cottage and sending many groups of young people to stay there.

These opportunities are very important for young people to have immersive and hands on experience in nature.

In 2024 we funded 14 groups to spend time at the Cottage, either day visits or residential stays. These groups would not have had the financial means to visit without our help. We supported the following camps

- Winchester Young Carers
- Romsey Young Carers residential
- Romsey Young Carers family day
- New Forest Young Carers
- Southampton Young Carers family day
- Leaside Trust from Hackney residential
- Sparsholt Junior School.
- Kingsworthy Primary School, year 5
- Kingsworthy Primary School, year 6
- Stanmore Primary
- Wild New Forest, spring camp
- Wild New Forest, autumn camp
- BTO Young Leaders camp
- Young Writers camp

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Other work we supported in 2024

We continued our sponsorship of junior memberships with Hampshire Ornithology Society, for young people in full time education.

Through our Young Naturalist program we funded 4 projects this year. This fund is to encourage young people to run their own projects and create opportunities to connect with other young people and nature.

We sponsored two places at the Cornell bird camp in New York. We selected the two deserving winners from numerous applications received.

We are funding a new Young Birders Club organised by Birds of Poole Harbour. They organise monthly outings, trips and talks to educate and inspire their young members.

We organised the annual Cameron Bespolka Wildlife Memorial Talk, hosted by Winchester College. This year's speaker was Holly Budge, who gave 2 talks 'Disappearing Giants'. One was to 480 primary school children and an evening lecture to adults.

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Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trustees have agreed that the Trust will have a cash reserve in the bank to cover a minimum of 26 weeks of committed expenditure. This has been achieved.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

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.

The Besselka family cover all the administrative, marketing and running costs of the Cameron Besselka Trust.

The Besselka family donation made this year covers all these costs as well as the shop purchases for 2023 and 2024.

Section F

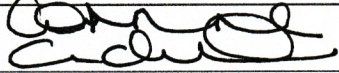
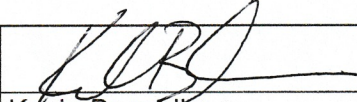
Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Corinne Cruickshank	Kevin Besselka
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Trustee
Date	04/02/2025.	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

The Cameron Besspolka Trust

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 December 2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

1156567

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2024.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: [FJ Wilde]

Date: 3 June 2025

Name: FJ Wilde

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

FCCA DChA

Address:

4 Marigold Drive

Bisley

Surrey, GU24 9SF

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Cameron Bepolka Trust

1156567

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

01/01/2024

To

31/12/2024

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					
Family Donations	31,057	-	-	31,057	-
Sponsorships	29,195	-	-	29,195	37,289
Gift aid recovered	827	-	-	827	-
Fundraising sales	9,768	-	-	9,768	13,054
Interest	6,593	-	-	6,593	2,464
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	77,440	-	-	77,440	52,807
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	77,440	-	-	77,440	52,807
A3 Payments					
Cameron Cottage RSPB	-	-	-	-	-
Sponsorships	5,018	14,385	-	19,402	16,299
Purchases for online shop	4,692	-	-	4,692	5,307
Event and fundraising costs	-	-	-	-	1,209
IT support	2,807	-	-	2,807	6,383
Admin assistant	5,255	-	-	5,255	4,696
Memberships	-	-	-	-	600
Professional fees	739	-	-	739	714
Bank charges	171	-	-	171	150
Miscellaneous	123	-	-	123	311
Flagstone management fees	131	-	-	131	-
Sub total	18,937	14,385	-	33,321	35,669
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	18,937	14,385	-	33,321	35,669
Net of receipts/(payments)	58,504	- 14,385	-	44,119	17,138
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	124,789	58,942	-	183,731	166,593
Cash funds this year end	183,293	44,557	-	227,850	183,731

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	Cash account	27,260	-	-
	Gold account	59,744	-	-
	Flagstone	96,289	44,557	-
	Total cash funds	183,293	44,557	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Funds held by CAF USA	-	-	-
	Funds held by CAF Canada	-	-	-
	Stock	1,163	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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
			Corinne Cruickshank	3.06.25
			Kevin Bespolka	3.06.25