



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date	
From	01 April 2023	To	31 March 2024

## Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

British Wildlife Rehabilitation Council

Other names charity is known by

BWRC

Registered charity number (if any)

1157841

Charity's principal address

PO Box 8686

Grantham

Lincolnshire

Postcode

NG31 0AG

### 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	Daniel Forman	Chair		
2	Simon Allen	Co-chair acting treasurer		
3	Paul Reynolds	Deputy-chair		
4	Janet Peto			
5	Mary Jane Varga			
6	Lucy Bearman-Brown			
7	Susan Louisa Schwar			
8	Christopher Riddington		Res 30 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	
9	Richard Edwards			
10	Jason Palmer			
11	Morgane Ristic		Appt December 4 <sup>th</sup> 2023	
12	Emma Onyejekwe		Appt March 10 <sup>th</sup> 2024	
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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
Accounts Auditor		

### 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 – Foundation Model
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Except for the initial charity trustees, each trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.</li> <li>2. When selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the trustees must consider the skills, knowledge, and experience necessary for the effective administration of the CIO.</li> </ol>

### 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.

Organisational structure remains as a board of trustees with no paid executive.

The working groups/management committees are underway to help further the work of the charity.

Current policies are under review.

New terms and conditions for membership have been developed.

Regular online educational talks are being developed.

Phase 2 of the BWRC website is ongoing.

## **Section C Objectives and activities**

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

For the benefit of the public: -  
To advance public education regarding the care and welfare of sick, injured, and abandoned wild animals.

**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)**

**Regular activities:**

There was no symposium in 2024. It was felt that the plans for symposia required review for two reasons:

1. Cost of living crisis.
2. Suitable venues.

It was therefore proposed that symposia will be delayed and the online talks will continue.

**Engagement with external organisations:**

DEFRA Avian Influenza Stakeholder Group  
 DEFRA Wildlife Disease Core Group  
 Wild Animal Welfare Committee  
 Scottish Cross-Party Group for Animal Welfare  
 Welsh Cross-Party Group for Animal Welfare  
 UK Seal Alliance  
 Peoples Trust for Endangered Species (PTES)  
 British Hedgehog Preservation Society (BHPS)

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grant making;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

**Section D Achievements and performance**

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The BWRC has continued to adhere to its core values in the promotion of best practise and highest standards for wildlife welfare in rehabilitation and rescue centres throughout the UK

Our membership has grown significantly and there has been some effective listening sessions between trustees and members to understand how we can best assist in providing support and advice for emerging and re-emerging problems.

Production of newsletters for members.

Delivery of online talks by sector experts.

Trustees met regularly to discuss and plan future activities and initiatives.

We have actively engaged with key stakeholders in Government, learned organisations and charities to establish more effective working relationships and partnerships.

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The reserves, generated through donations and memberships (both associate and organisational), are utilised to cover costs directly associated with the charity's operations. This includes expenses for trustee training, travel, and work-related activities specific to BWRC. Additionally, funds are allocated for the production of newsletters, promotional materials, and to offset any deficits from BWRC training events and meetings. We ensure that all expenditures are made judiciously, with significant purchases requiring the approval of all trustees.

### 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.



## 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)

	
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Full name(s)

Dr Daniel Forman	Paul Reynolds
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Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair	Deputy Chair
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Date

14/01/2025
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# British Wildlife Rehabilitation Council

## Income and Expenditure

### 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024

#### Income

Donations	£62.25	
Contributions	£0.00	
PayPal Membership	£3,672.75	
Organisation Associated Membership	£375.00	
Individual Associated Membership	£345.00	
PayPal Fees on Membership	£(80.99)	
Sale of Workshop & Symposium Tickets	£0.00	
Symposium Sponsorship	£0.00	
Bank Interest (Gross)	£102.98	
		£4,476.99

#### Less: Expenditure

Travel	£0.00	
Postage Non-Newsletter	£0.00	
Hire of Meeting Rooms	£0.00	
Cost of Newsletter	£47.33	
Cost of Setting Up & Maintaining Website	£288.00	
Bank Charges	£60.00	
Administration & Legal Fees	£4,475.22	
Membership Fee to other Organisations	£0.00	
Eventbrite Fees	£0.00	
Symposium Hire Costs	£0.00	
Symposium Event Insurance	£0.00	
Symposium Event Partners Profit Share	£0.00	
Speakers Expenses	£0.00	
Symposium Administration	£0.00	
		£4,870.55

#### Profit/(Loss)

**£(393.56)**

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## Balance Sheet

### As At 31-03-2024

CAF Current Account	£5,054.48	
Less Uncleared Item	£0.00	
CAF Gold Savings Account	£4,201.88	
PayPal	£411.31	
		£9,667.67
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Opening Reserves	£8,478.99	
Profit/(Loss) 2023-24	<u>£(393.56)</u>	
Closing Reserves		<u>£8,085.43</u>

Signed:

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S. A. W.  
Acting Treasurer

Date: ..14/01/2025.....