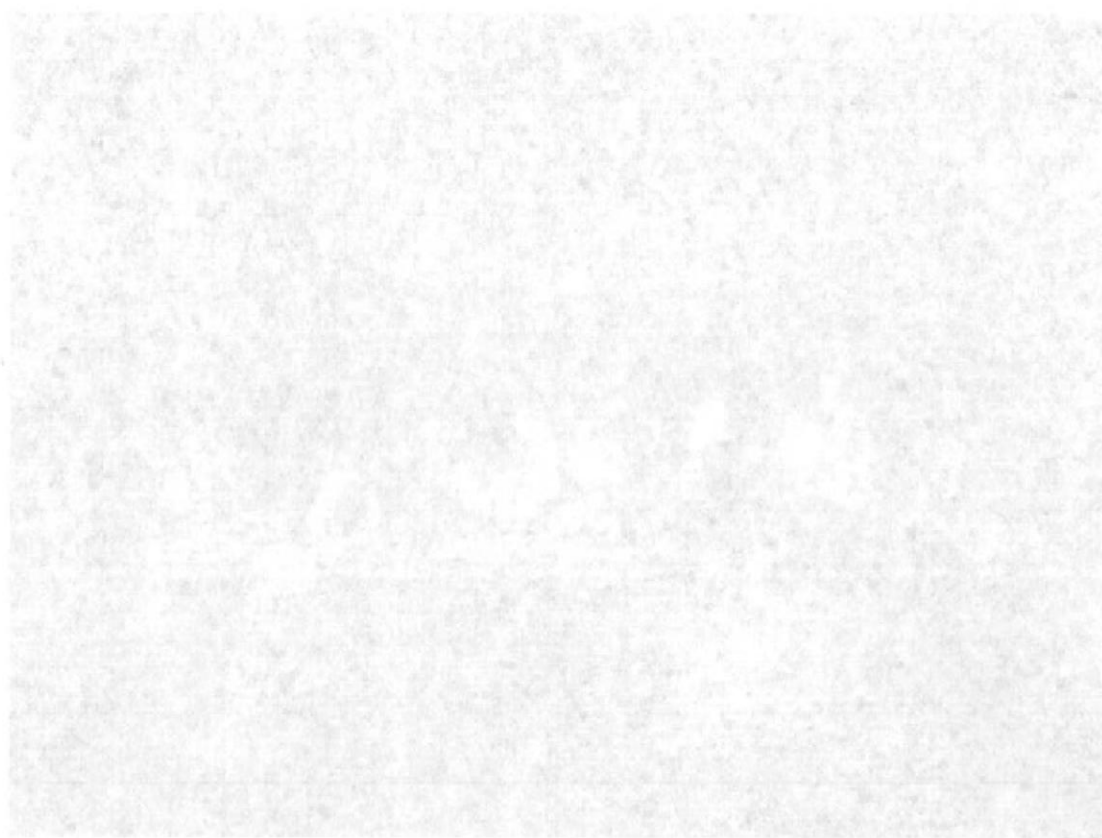




Junior Rangers in Bordon Inclosure - November 5th 2020

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Junior Kitchen & Garden - 12 years old

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Staff and more

- Departure of Dave Valler in Dec 2020, replaced by Rebekah Smith in Jan 2021
- Coronavirus all year but the greenspaces we managed really helped the local community
- 30+C heat, biblical rain and several named storms in the summer
- Sad passing of Maureen Aldridge in Feb 2021

LNR

- Green Grid – Green Loop improvements in Alexandra Park
- Section of bamboo removed by contractor and interpretation boards installations finished
- Replacement 4x4 truck
- Peacocks and micro-pigs on the loose!!!

Bordon Inclosure SANG

- Fifth year of management of site
- Path work improvements to wet areas and community made bird boxes installed
- Crayfish trapping 235Kg taken out by a contractor. Riverfly surveys revealed 6/8 indicator species.
- Micro-pig and red-necked turtle on the loose!!!

Hogmoor Inclosure SANG

- Fourth year of management of site and went from 24 to 40 hours/week management in Oct 2020
- Working with the Land Trust and the SANG becoming very, very popular
- DVT started inspecting the play area equipment from Jan 2021 following RoSPA training
- Lots of pine pulling, path cutting and community bird boxes installed

Volunteers

- **67 work parties** were lost to Covid-19 restrictions
- Monday group – 25/50 work parties with an average of 11 (12 in 2019/20) with 9 new faces joining
- Thursday group – 16/50 work parties with an average of 6 (5 in 2019/20) with 5 new faces joining
- Saturday groups – 10/24 work parties with an average of 10 (9 in 2019/20) with 2 new faces joining
- **Overall volunteer hours 1790 hours = 225 days (2283 hours and 285 days for 2019/2020)**
- Special thank you to Paul & Grant for decorating the offices, Paul for helping with Junior Rangers and play area inspections, Dave for building woodyard structures and Ronan for helping his dad out a lot!!!!

Education & Community

- Only **7 out of 28** Junior Ranger sessions happened but still well attended and fun
- Limited number of school visits with only **4 classes and 120 kids** (19 classes and 460 in 2019/20)
- Yr.13 Godalming College work experience for 1 week
- One Sparshott student on work experience one-day per week
- Unfortunately, we had to cancel the SDNPA apprentice due to Covid-19
- No Woodland Fair, Blessing of Bower or lots of other usual events
- 'Virtual' Duck Race was a huge success though with 365 tickets sold over two races
- Because of CV-19 very few events took place (*massively down from the 1860 people who attended 2019/20*)
- A lot of self-guided walks and on-line activities produced by Julie

Downsides

- Coronavirus restricting everything we had planned both work and events
- Restricted number of volunteer tasks and even less Wednesday Walks
- Vandalism to infrastructure in and ncrease of flytipping, general litter, dog fouling, motorbikes and fires

Physical Report 30.10-10.11.2019

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Annual Report and Accounts
for the period
1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021



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Deadwater Valley Trust

Registered Charity Number: 1160737

Charity's Principal Address:

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Trustees and Committee Members

	Trustee	Position	Period	Appointment
1.	Mrs N Dobson	Chair	Throughout	DVT Conservation Volunteers
2.	Dr W Wain	Vice-Chair	Throughout	Woolmer Forest Heritage Society
3.	Mr R Betteley	Treasurer	Throughout	Walldown Preservation Society
4.	Mr G Dawkins	Secretary	Throughout	Local Resident
5.	Mrs T Privetti		Throughout	Friends of the Deadwater
6.	Mrs M Aldridge		Apr 2020 to Feb 2021	Local Resident
7.	Mr P Charman		Throughout	Local Resident
8.	Mrs P Bruton		Jan to Mar 2021	Co-opted
9.	Cllr C Clarke		Apr to Jun 2020	Whitehill Town Council
10.	Cllr T Strickland		Throughout	Whitehill Town Council
11.	Cllr D Tennyson		Throughout	East Hampshire District Council
12.	Cllr A Carew		Throughout	Hampshire County Council



Scarlet elf cap in LNR

Appointment of Trustees

The policy and general management of the affairs of the Charity shall be directed by a management committee, which shall comprise of eight representative members, two elected members and not more than two co-opted members.

Two representative members shall be appointed by the following local authority:
Whitehill Town Council (WTC)

One representative member shall be appointed by each of the following local authorities:
East Hampshire District Council (EHDC)
Hampshire County Council (HCC)

One representative member shall be appointed by each of the following local organisations:
Deadwater Valley Trust Conservation Volunteers (DVTCV)
Friends of the Deadwater (FoD)
Walldown Preservation Society (WPS)
Woolmer Forest Heritage Society (WFHS)

Bankers

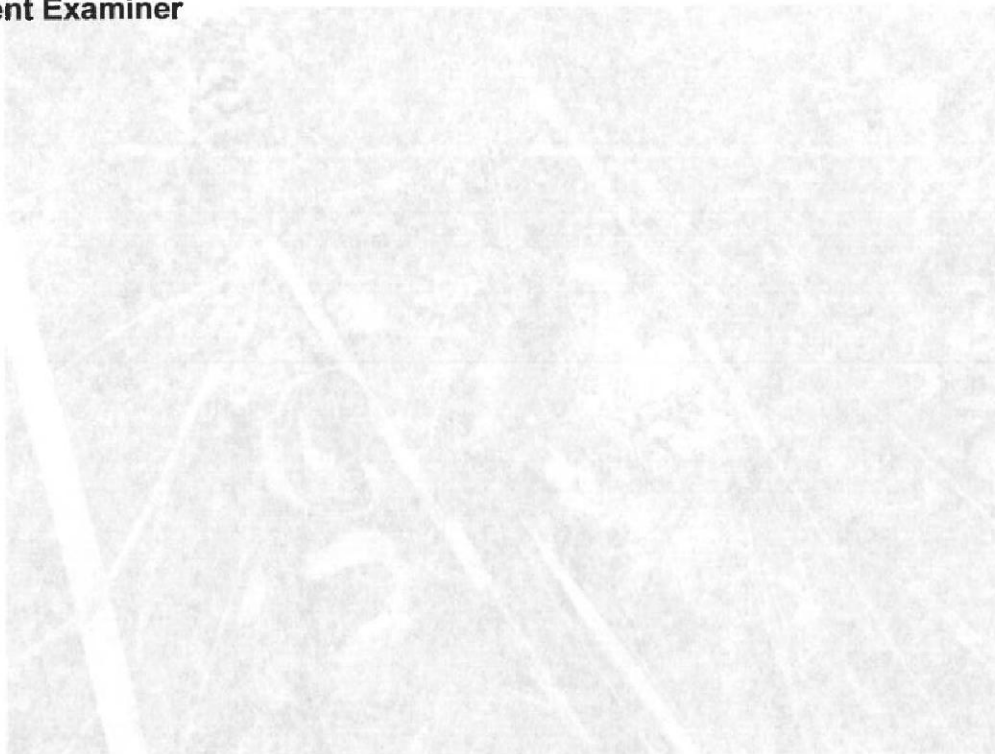
The bankers of the Trust are Lloyds Bank PLC.

Reserve Policy

The Trustees attempt to keep 13 weeks expenditure in reserve, as recommended. The money is held in a separate Charity Bank account where it is easily realisable.

Independent Examiner

N/A



Chair's Introduction

This report refers to the financial year from the 1st April 2020 to the 31st March 2021.

The Trust was established in 1989 and is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation registered with the Charity Commission Number 1160737.

The Trust's ranger team is made up of the Senior Countryside Ranger, Jamie Cummins, with three Countryside Rangers; Rebekah Smith, who replaced Dave Valler in January 2021 to manage Bordon Inclosure, Brendan Finnegan who leads on Hogmoor Inclosure and Terry Read plus Community Ranger Julie Reid. All the rangers work on the Deadwater Valley LNR plus both the Inclosures.

The Rangers coped well with this challenging year, working both as a team and in their varied individual roles.

There are many excellent examples within this report that demonstrate how the work of the Trust directly benefits our wildlife and community. We are so grateful for our experienced, professional and hardworking staff. We would also like to thank the Whitehill & Bordon Town Council, WBRC and the Land Trust for all the support over this very difficult year.

Our Board of Trustees meets bi-monthly and the office holders meet with Jamie at least once a week to discuss and support the day-to-day work of the Trust. The Trust could not achieve all it does without our many amazing volunteers, who sadly have not been able to work for us most of this last year. Thankfully, they were able, when lockdown restrictions allowed, to carry out some volunteering work and I would like to give huge thanks to those who attended our weekly and weekend work parties to carry out the essential practical conservation work of the Trust. I would like to thank Julie, our Community Ranger who did an invaluable job of keeping the Rangers and Trustees up to date with the often confusing government regulations over this year.

It is with great sadness we lost our loyal volunteer, Trustee and friend Maureen Aldridge, who passed away at the beginning of this year. Maureen had been involved as a Trustee for many years and always helped where she could with all our events. She will be greatly missed.

Most of this year has been spent socially distancing whilst keeping our areas safe and litter free. Although we have not been able to carry out all the work and events we hoped for, the Team did what they could to assure all three sites were looked after. A huge thanks to Jamie's son Ronan who stepped in when social distancing didn't allow team working and assisted his dad. In October 2020 the Trust took on full time management of Hogmoor Inclosure with the Land Trust. It has been exciting to take on this new role and a pleasure to work with Marie-Anne Phillips and the team. As this area becomes ever more popular we will continually have to work out the best way of managing the area.

Again, as with the last year, it is so evident how much the people of Bordon and Whitehill and the surrounding areas rely on these three amazing areas for their fitness and wellbeing and we will endeavour to continue to protect and manage them for our growing population.

Nora M Dobson
Chair of DVT

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1. The Trust

The Deadwater Valley Trust is an organisation that aims to consolidate and constantly improve the work first carried out in the mid 1980's by the River Deadwater Environmental Project, which was supported by the Hampshire County Council Community Service.

The Trust exists to manage the Deadwater Valley Local Nature Reserve (LNR), Bordon Inclosure and Hogmoor Inclosure Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspaces (SANGs) for the conservation of the different habitats and recreation.

The current Service Level Agreement (SLA) for the management of the LNR was extended two years by Whitehill Town Council (WTC) until 31st March 2022. From 1st January 2016 the Trust took on management of Bordon Inclosure SANG with the existing SLA with WTC extended until 31st March 2023, who have taken on a long-term lease from the Defence Infrastructure Organisation (MoD).

From 1st July 2017 the Trust also took on management of Hogmoor Inclosure SANG after signing a separate SLA with the Whitehill & Bordon Regeneration Company (WBRC), who have taken on a long-term lease from the Defence Infrastructure Organisation. Initially this SLA was for only 24 hours of ranger service per week but from 1st October 2020 the agreement was passed to the Land Trust (LT) and for a full-time ranger service until 31st March 2025.

The Trust was originally set up as a supporting partnership between Hampshire County Council, East Hampshire District Council and Whitehill Town Council. All of these Councils are represented on the Board of Trustees. The Deadwater Valley Local Nature Reserve is either owned or leased by Whitehill Town Council who are the main funder.

2. Objectives of The Trust

- 2.1 To preserve, enhance, conserve, restore and promote the natural and man-made features of the Deadwater Valley LNR, Bordon Inclosure and Hogmoor Inclosure SANGs and neighbourhood areas relevant to their ecology, geology, archaeology and history.
- 2.2 To promote and develop interest, research, appreciation and knowledge of these areas for the education and benefit of the public.

3. Reasons for Conserving the Deadwater Valley LNR and SANG's

- 3.1 The LNR is one of the few green spaces with public access (in normal circumstances) within and close to the built environment of Whitehill & Bordon, and was once part of the Royal Forest of Woolmer.
- 3.2 The LNR path system constructed in the early 1980's needs continuous management.
- 3.3 To maintain the important biodiversity of the area, which includes the River Deadwater, a Scheduled Ancient Monument, ponds, woodland (mixed, broadleaf & alder carr), ancient meadow, grassland, scrub and two areas of lowland heathland.
- 3.4 To maintain and enhance the recently designated Bordon Inclosure and Hogmoor Inclosure SANGs for the benefit of local residents of Whitehill & Bordon as a buffer zone away from the surrounding European designated sites of Broxhead, Kingsley and Shortheath Commons.

4. Public Benefit

The charity trustees understand the Charity Commissions guidance on public benefit and in accordance with the objectives of the organisation recognise that the charity operates primarily to provide public benefit in the advancement of the Local Nature Reserve and Bordon Inclosure and Hogmoor Inclosure SANGs and also through the advancement of education and community development. To facilitate this work the charity maintains the ground structure of these areas in addition to providing conservation related activities within the wider community.



Path in Hogmoor Inclosure along the Green Loop

5. Management of Deadwater Valley LNR

The Service Level Agreement with Whitehill Town Council to manage the LNR was extended a further two years from 1st April 2020 to 31st March 2022 with the management plan updated and the annual report, both written by Jamie Cummins, submitted to WTC.

Unfortunately, once again we encountered vandalism to the infrastructure of the LNR, especially to barriers and entrances, which meant a lot of time and resources was spent dealing with repairs rather than the requirements of the Management Plan. We also had extreme and unpredictable weather (30°C heat, biblical rain and 40+mph winds in the summer), with named storms Bella, Ellen and Francis bringing high winds and extremely heavy rainfall, and of course the Coronavirus shutdown and restrictions from April 2020 which lasted 12 months all of which disrupted work schedules. I would like to thank all the rangers and volunteers for their sterling efforts in keeping safe and dealing with these problems and changes in work patterns.

5.1 The Deadwater Valley

Hazardous tree surveys were conducted throughout the Reserve, especially concentrating on the main woodland paths & residents boundaries. Dead and dangerous trees were felled and cleared where necessary. Larger trees were felled on occasion by arboriculture contractors. Felled material is used on the Reserve, left on site as habitat piles or where safe to do so left as standing dead wood.

The main paths, entrances, car park and Reserve edges had invading vegetation regularly cut back with boardwalks and bridges leaf blown. All Reserve entrances received running repairs to keep them in good order.

Byelaws and other information signs were replaced and the noticeboards, installed in 2013 at several entrances, also received maintenance and repairs. The rangers continued to service the three litter bins installed in 2014.

Infrastructure improvements included:

- Green Grid – Green Loop (GGGL) footpath improvements through Alexandra Park and new entrances at Park Street and 'Honey Pin' orchard (LEP funded via HCC)
- Installed 6 habitat interpretation boards
- Replaced Conde Way car park pedestrian access with new chicane, posts and rail
- New litter bin installed by EHDC at Britannia Close entrance

A lot of time was also spent meeting and dealing with residents over boundary issues and overhanging trees especially as they spent more time in their gardens during Lockdown !!!



Resurfaced Green Grid – Green Loop (GGGL) footpath through Alexandra Park

5.2 The Woodlands

Due to some summer and winter storms a large number of fallen or hazardous trees had to be felled or cleared from footpaths throughout the Reserve. The footpaths previously re-routed around really wet areas to enable better access continued to do well despite the extremely large amount of rainfall.

5.2.1 Secondary Riverside Woodland

- Bamboo cut included: below car park, east of Knox's Pond and pond outlet
- Cleared several wind-blown trees following summer storms
- Cleared number of overhanging willows trees from 8 Britannia Close fenceline
- Removed a fallen silver birch from 37 Marsh Close fence and had a contractor fell two large silver birches in this area
- Felled two larger and five smaller alder trees from the riverside between Britannia and Marsh Close and wired in logs
- Felled and cleared lots of illegally cut trees from across the river
- Removed dead tree from over Conde Way stile
- The primrose glade was *not* strimmed back this year
- Installed two 'River' and one 'Wet Woodland' interpretation boards
- Added weld mesh to two small bridges

5.2.2 Mixed Woodland

- The large 'tennis court' beech received a major crown reduction by a contractor following previous work in 2013
- Blocked off 'desire line' to rotten hollowed pine
- Rhododendron cleared and added to dead-hedges including eastern side of avenue, 'Event' space and down to polytricum heath area
- Bracken, rhoddie and scrub re-growth cleared from the 'Butterfly Glade' plus widen path for better truck access
- Bracken bash under waylines
- Cleared several fallen and leaning trees off Forest Lodge track (FLT) and leaning ash tree from 12 Monument Chase fenceline
- Added stone next to kissing gate off Monument Chase
- Removed old small bridge over ditch north of FLT and replaced culvert and stone

5.2.3 Mature and Semi-mature stands of Scots Pine

- Nothing major performed this year

5.2.4 Common Alder and Goat Willow Carr

- Two dead-hedges next to bridges were replenished
- Cleared number of overhanging trees from 52 Monument Chase fenceline

5.3 Polytrichum Heath

- Nothing major performed this year
- The path from Knox's pond to this area was again not cleared to discourage footfall

5.4 Alexandra Park

- The ten earth scrapes created in October 2018 within the heathland area are developing well with young heather and other plants
- Bracken bruised over three sessions under powerlines between LNR & SANG
- Scrub bash's and burnt off arisings (two in northern and one in southern section)
- Four large Scots pine reduced to standing monolith by contractor near 'Honey Pin' entrance, allotments and near Maple Leaf Drive
- Large dead pine felled at path junction
- Pulled Himalayan balsam next to River Wey and SANG

- Stress tested overhanging branches along paths
- Added weld mesh to sleeper bridge over ditch
- Repaired chicanes at Honey Pin and allotment entrances plus bin at allotments on many occasions
- GGGL footpath improvements and new entrances at Honey Pin, Park St and opposite Budds Lane. Added 'No Motorbikes' signage to these new entrances
- Area suffered repeated sewerage overflows from near allotments

5.5 Jubilee Park

- Pulled balsam across river below Waterside Close
- Removed overhanging branches and soil from Branson Rd car park
- Repaired damaged barriers at high point above river and BMX humps
- Installed 'River' interpretation board

5.6 The River Deadwater

- Maintenance of three oak bridges installed 2010
- Cleared blockages especially near 'pigeon island'
- Added weld mesh to duck race bridge

The river flooded many times this past year with rain washing up litter and debris with resultant erosion of paths (see photo). This is an on-going problem which will need future investment.

Riversearch surveys were again performed, led by Brendan Finnegan (see Section 5.10) and fortunately no evidence of Himalayan balsam was found following its first appearance in summer 2014 although it was along the River Wey in Bordon Inclosure and across the river from Branson Road car park.



5.7 Knox's Pond

- Bamboo cut below and around pond, next to outflow and either side of outlet
- Boardwalk and dipping platforms received minor repairs (18 boards)
- Removed older sections of boardwalk prior to new construction
- Dug out outflow ditch

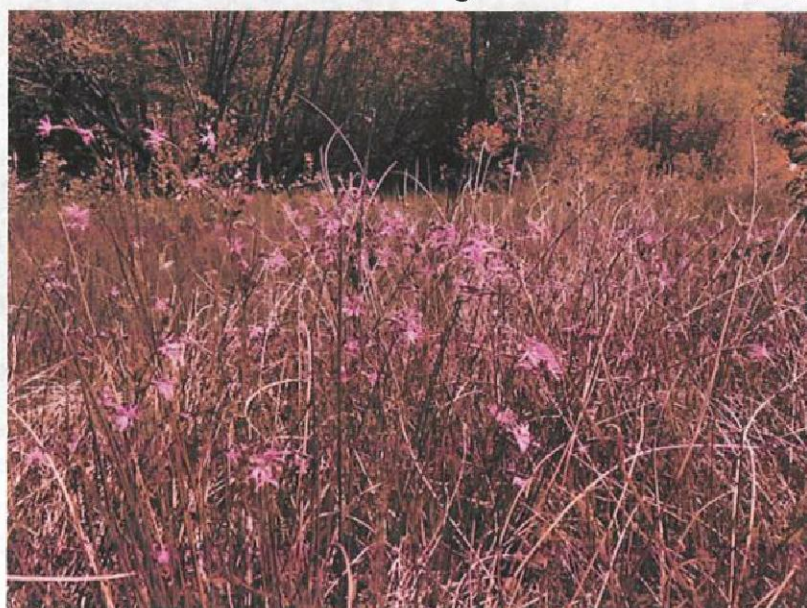
5.8 The Walldown Scheduled Ancient Monument

A large amount of gorse & scrub clearance was performed with arising burnt on metal sheets on site. Areas included:

- East of hump and Main bowl
- Felled four dead pines above school and removed two storm damaged trees
- Added five bird boxes near school fenceline
- Repaired northern stile and adjacent fencing and improved low footpath barrier
- Added new palings to vandalised section of fencing
- Installed 'Coniferous Woodland' interpretation board
- Installed a memorial bench next to stile for a local young man

5.9 The Ancient Meadow

- Unfortunately, the meadow wasn't grazed this year due to lack of stock available from local graziers
- Two sessions cutting and burning willow from northern edge and middle 'flush' and one session on regrowth saplings near interpretation board
- Cleared fallen limb off telegraph wire
- Brushcut 2m wide border from around all six scrapes
- The scrapes, created in October 2018, continue to flourish with flora and insects plus used by birds and mammals
- Replaced 9 posts on perimeter and diagonal fencing and replaced middle stile
- Foxes Meadow was checked over for signs of anti-social behaviour but all ok



Ragged robin flowering in the Ancient Meadow

5.10 Species Recorded

The following species were recorded:

Mammals

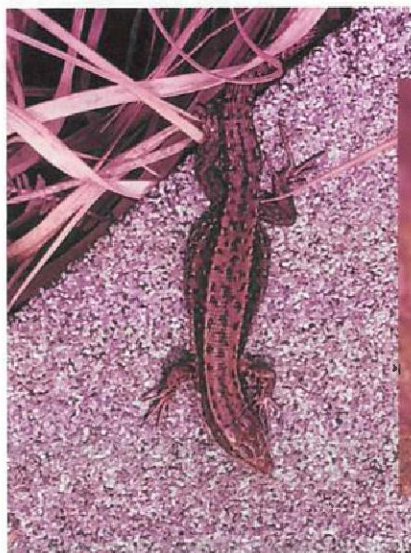
- Roe deer with young, fox, badger, mole, rabbit and grey squirrels
- Wood mouse, common and pygmy shrews and short-tailed vole
- Injured serotine bat rescued alongside track up to Budds Lane on 18th May
- Micro pig loose in woods for 3 months!!

Birds – No breeding bird survey (BBS) was completed this year but over 55 species were recorded including:

- Buzzard, red kite, sparrowhawk, barn owl and tawny owl with chicks
- Greater spotted and green woodpeckers, pheasant, redwings, siskins, thrush spp.
- Blackcap, bullfinch, chaffinch, chiffchaff, firecrest, goldcrest, goldfinch, nuthatch, treecreeper, willow warbler, marsh tits plus crossbills at Walldown on 2nd Nov
- Grey wagtail, heron, kingfisher, little egret and mandarin duck
- Mallard and moorhen both had multiple broods on Knox's Pond islands
- Peacocks have now taken up residency at Walldown!!!
- See Appendix.A for full bird survey list by Mike Lawn

Herps - surveys were carried out in Alexandra Park, Ancient Meadow and Walldown Monument with refugia added or replaced.

- Common lizard, grass snake and slow worm (male, female & juveniles) were seen at both AP and AM but only slow worms at Walldown. A grass snake was even seen in the same location at Walldown on the 3rd and 19th November!
- Grass snakes were also seen swimming on Knox's pond and frog spawn was seen at Knox's, Rifle Wall & Amphibian ponds
- Common frog & toad, smooth & palmate newts were also seen at various locations



Common lizard



Weevil Platystomos albinus



Four-spotted chaser dragonfly

Insects/Spiders - Mike Lawn's continuing beetle survey added one new weevil species which is nationally scarce to his 470+ list. Wasp spiders were again found in the Ancient Meadow this year.

Butterflies recorded included:

- Brimstone, comma, holly and small blue
- Gatekeeper, large white and large skipper
- Marbled white, meadow brown, small copper, peacock and orange tip
- Red admiral, ringlet, speckled wood and a purple hairstreak in AP on 22nd June

Odonata and other insects recorded included:

- Beautiful and banded demoiselles
- Broad and four-spotted chasers
- Large red and azure damselflies and large red darter
- Emperor and southern hawkers
- plus European hornet, orange and white-tailed bumble bees

Aquatic - Brendan Finnegan performed only one 'Riverfly' survey on the River Deadwater (29/7/20), at five different locations along the river which revealed four out of the eight indicator species including:

- Freshwater shrimp, Cased caddisfly and mayfly larva
- Blue-winged olives
- Demoiselle and midge larva, hoglouse and bloodworms
- Bullhead fry and elver
- Adult and juvenile signal crayfish

Pond dipping sessions in Knoxs Pond on 26th August revealed:

- Palmate and smooth newts and efts
- Dragonfly, damselfly nymphs and mayfly larva,
- Greater and lesser waterboatmen, water skaters and freshwater shrimp
- Water louse and mites, blood and hair worms
- Roach and carp regularly caught by fisherman on Knox's

It was also encouraging that pond skaters, waterboatmen, diving beetles, cased caddis and egg laying odonata were seen in the Ancient Meadow scrapes.

Flora – Recorded were: Bird-foot trefoil, bluebells, buttercup spp, lesser and greater celandine, cudweed spp, dog mercury & violet, hedge mustard, herb Robert, few-flowered leek, knapweed spp, lousewort, marsh marigold, moschatel, opposite-leaved saxifrage, pignut, primrose, purple loosestrife, Queen Annes lace, ragged robin, red campion, snow drops, spear-thistle, speedwells spp, St. Johns wort, stitchworts, tormentil, wild garlic, wood anemone and sorrel and vetch spp with brambles & rhoddie flowering in December!

Ash dieback tree surveys were again performed across the whole LNR and thankfully none was found again.

5.11 Waste Management and Anti-Social Behaviour

General litter left by people within the Reserve remains an issue although the three litter bins installed at three entrances are well used. Waste management continues to take up a disproportionate amount of Ranger time.

Fly-tipping of larger items is a particular problem such as:

- Large litter pick along length of Conde Way
- Several bags of garden waste and building rubble and used needles
- Garden waste letter dropped to 11 Britannia Close and 35 Maple Leaf Drive
- Large amount of roofing material dumped down Forest Lodge track
- Added barbed wire around woodyard fence line due to unwanted visitors!
- Truck load of scrap metal collected by AWB Recycling Ltd

The Trust used its Trade Waste permit at the HWRC facility on Station Road three times. Rangers recycle as much material as possible with 18 bags of aluminium cans taken to Hollywater School to help raise money and 14 dustbins of glass bottles to recycling bins.

Anti-social issues included:

- Various small fires at various locations with HFRS attending a fire near the Rifle Wall pond on 22nd April plus trees illegally cut next to river
- Dead roe deer possible dog attack in Alexandra Park
- Major garden encroachment from No.39 Branson Road into Alexandra Park (still to be resolved by WTC and Radian)
- Removed large camp between car park and Knox's pond
- Lots of chicanes, fencing and other infrastructure vandalised at various locations including around the Walldown Monument and bin next to allotments
- Removal of graffiti from noticeboards and wall next to Rifle Wall pond

Motorbikes & quad bikes are still a major on-going issue and despite installing numerous barriers, chicanes and notices, plus informing police and ringing 101, it remains a problem. We also completed the quarterly on-line Longmoor Police survey.

6.0 Management of Bordon Inclosure SANG

The whole SANG is sub-divided into nine different compartments (A to I) within which are different habitats, structures and physical features and a separate Management Plan exists for the area. The Trust are into their fifth year of management of the site (which started on 1st January 2016) and below is a list of the work completed by DVT rangers and volunteers.

Dave then Bekah and Jamie performed regular patrols of the whole site and infrastructure, recording any problems, damage and species seen. This forms part of the quarterly reports to WTC as well as progress with regard to the Management Plan and SLA.

The weekend work parties on the first Saturday of each month had only 4 out of 12 achieved due to Covid-19 and staff turnover and but still averaging 11 volunteers both new and existing.

6.1 Woodland Compartments

All compartments had vegetation cleared back from path edges, overhanging trees cut and boardwalks & bridges leaf-blown plus litter picking was performed regularly.

Tree safety surveys and clearing following storm damage was performed throughout with remedial work performed by DVT rangers or arborist contractors.



Path improvements before and after

Compartment A

- Bracken bruised
- Felled trees from hazardous tree survey
- Thinned out birch trees and re-coppiced hazel
- Treated Japanese knotweed inside and just outside SANG
- Cut sycamore, rhododendron and cherry laurel re-growth with pesticide added
- Dug out bamboo and cherry laurel
- Repairs to gate at car park including new post and installed new disabled sign
- Contractors added more stone to two wet areas
- Thames Water visited several times to clear overflowing sewage manhole covers

Compartment B

- Pulled Himalayan balsam
- Bracken bruised
- Thinned out birch trees and re-coppiced hazel
- Sycamore and holly thinned
- Felled trees from hazardous tree survey
- Removed fallen trees and litter from pond and repaired seat
- SSE contractors replaced poles, damaged and repaired barrier above culvert

Compartment C

- Pulled Himalayan balsam
- Cut rhoddie re-growth
- Thinned out birch trees and re-coppiced hazel
- Felled trees from hazardous tree survey
- Contractor reduced standing deadwood next to boardwalk
- Cut back hemlock water dropwort from around boardwalk
- Added wooden struts to boardwalk junction below steps
- Uncovered and then made safe an old well

Compartment D

- Pulled Himalayan balsam
- Felled trees from hazardous tree survey
- Cleared cherry laurel
- Cut vegetation away from boardwalk
- Replaced 4 posts on perimeter fencing
- Added four bird boxes
- SSE replaced poles

Compartment E

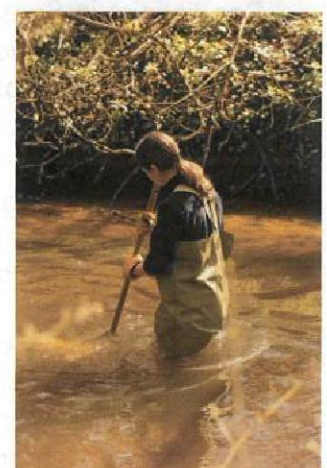
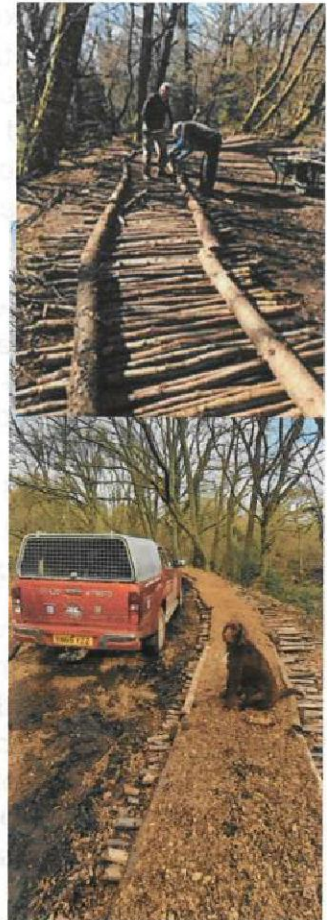
- Pulled Himalayan balsam
- Cut and pulled sycamore & holly re-growth
- Felled trees from hazardous tree survey
- Felled multi-stemmed oak near raised rustic path
- Extended raised rustic path (*see photos*)
- Revealed brickwork posts near military sewage works
- Cleaned off natterjack toad sculpture

Compartment F

- Pulled Himalayan balsam
- Cleared debris from river
- Felled trees from hazardous tree survey
- Felled hung-up hemlocks from den building areas
- Replaced five stolen fence posts

Compartment G

- Added material to Natural Play Area (NPA) dead-hedge
- Strimmed banks & soft rush in NPA
- Felled trees from hazardous tree survey
- Thinned 10% of small birch and oak trees
- Contractor reduced standing deadwood next to paths
- Cut vegetation to keep views of metal statues
- Cleared drainage ditch at path junction
- Re-painted Rune table



Riverfly surveying

Compartment H

- Trees along Lindford Road felled by contractor
- Felled trees from hazardous tree survey
- Thinned silver birch alongside contractors entrance and processed for use on raised rustic paths
- Felled two hemlocks to halo around pollarded oak
- Installed two vertical log piles
- Added wooden struts under mirrors
- Extended pipe culvert at path junction
- Added stone to bridge by ephemeral pond
- Large litter picks along Lindford Rd



Chainsaw work

Compartment I

- Felled trees from hazardous tree survey
- Cleared large amount of brambles and encroaching vegetation from fence line next to St Lucia refurbishments
- Severed dominant ivy from larger trees
- Added to dead-hedge below and cut back vegetation around sighting pole
- Removed fallen trees across ditch near bridge and improved view
- Replaced 6 posts on perimeter fencing and chestnut post at gateway entrance
- Added stone to bridge lips

Other work included:

- Regular meetings with WTC and monthly site inspections with Stephen Uden
- Site meetings with contractors, utility staff and specialists
- Cleaned off all waymarkers and re-painted
- Repairs of interpretation boards, noticeboards, waymarkers, boardwalk, gates, fencing, benches, leaflet holders and artwork
- Signage added to all entrances

6.2 Community Work

See listings in Section 8.0 but also included:

- Weekend work parties re-started in July 2020
- Updated 'Look Out For' blackboards every month
- Virtual duck race and pond dipping
- Progressed 'Who Ate Puhl' art project
- Held leaving BBQ for Dave
- Used drone to video areas in Compt.G and installed community made bird boxes (see photo)



6.3 Anti-Social Behaviour

Major incidents included:

- Increase in motorbike and quad bikes activity
- Vandalism to infrastructure and illegal fires
- Fires (HFRS called out twice), Garden and builders waste, five fence posts stolen, carpets dumped and kids walking over Lindford sewage pipes
- Eight dead rats discovered in hole!!!!

6.4 Species Recorded

The following species were recorded:

Mammals – Roe and muntjac deer, badger, fox, mole, rabbit, grey squirrel plus

- Two bat walks in Bordon Inclosure on 27th August and 11th September, recorded 5 species (common & soprano pipistrelle, Daubenton, noctule and serotine)

Birds – Buzzard, red kite, tawny owl, great-spotted and green woodpecker, mallard, heron, little egret, kingfisher, grey wagtail, bullfinch, blackcap, chiffchaff, firecrest, goldcrest, nuthatch, marsh tit, redwing, siskin, treecreeper and thrushes

Herps – Slow worm, grass snake, smooth & palmate newt, frog & toad and turtle in pond

Butterflies – Brimstone, comma, holly blue, large and marbled white, large skipper, meadow brown, orange tip, peacock, purple hairstreak, red admiral, silver-washed fritillary, small tortoiseshell and speckled wood

Odonata – Beautiful and Banded Demoiselle, large red damselfly, brown hawker, southern hawker, and emperor dragonflies

Flora – Ladies smock, wood sorrel, stitchwort, marsh marigold, pink purslane, primrose, red campion, bluebell, enchanters nightshade, caper spurge, figwort and ling

Aquatic - Brendan and other rangers performed only two 'Riverfly' surveys on the River Wey (25/9/20 and 30/3/21), at four different locations, which again revealed six out of the eight indicator species including:

- Freshwater shrimp, Cased caddisfly, mayfly and stonefly larva
- Blue-winged olive and flat-bodied upwing
- Demoiselle and midge larva, Hoglouse and bloodworms
- Adult and juvenile signal crayfish

We also had a contractor trapping & removing invasive signal crayfish from the River Wey between July and October with around 235 kg taken from his five traps.

He also trapped but released brown trout, brook lamprey, bullhead, minnow and roach.

7.0 Management of Hogmoor Inclosure

The whole SANG is sub-divided into seven different compartments (A to G) within which are different habitats, structures and physical features and a separate Management Plan exists for the area. The Trust continued their fourth year of management of the site (which started on 1st July 2017) moving from a 24hr to 40hr week in October 2020 and below is a list of the work completed by DVT rangers and volunteers.

Brendan and sometimes the other rangers performed regular patrols of the whole site and infrastructure, recording any problems, damage and species seen which forms part of the quarterly reports to WBRC as well as progress with regard to Management Plan and SLA.

Brendan's weekend work parties on the third Saturday of each month had only 6 out of 12 sessions but averaging 9 volunteers both new and existing.

7.1 Woodland Compartments

All compartments were litter picked, had vegetation cleared back from path edges and overhanging trees trimmed and clearance of fallen and leaning trees following storms and working on trees from WBRC list.



Team photo after team day out scrub bashing in Hogmoor Inclosure

Compartment A

- Removed logs and weed from and installed barley straw to play area pond
- Removed vegetation from beside Hogmoor Road
- Thinned small pines near back-to-back sentinels
- Felled trees especially alongside Templars Way and next to SANG buildings
- Cleaned off encroaching vegetation from timber path edging
- Installed three dragon teeth next to field gate off car park
- Cleaned off bridges and replenished dead-hedges

Compartment B

- Brushcutting of path side vegetation especially inner Hogmoor Road path
- Cut back higher overhanging vegetation and felled leaning trees
- Removed vegetation from beside Hogmoor Road and cherry laurel
- Removed large amount of gorse on paths up to GW wings
- Cleaned off bridges and replenished dead-hedges

Compartment C

- Cut overhanging branches and vegetation from paths and cleared fallen and leaning trees
- Trimmed back large amount of gorse and burnt onsite to open up footpaths especially east-west cross-path
- Pulled pine saplings and felled two leaning Scots pines off high bank and two other leaning trees

Compartment D

- Cut overhanging branches and vegetation and cleared fallen trees
- Pulled pine saplings near Roman arch and thinning small pines
- Pine pulling and removed rhododendron
- Trimmed back gorse to open up footpaths especially cross-paths
- Surveyed heather regeneration using quadrats
- Reconstructed bug hotel again

Compartment E

- Brush-cutting of path side vegetation and felled leaning pine trees
- Removed sand from below maternity roost and repaired dead-hedge above

Compartment F

- Cleared vegetation from paths and cleared fallen trees
- Felled scorched trees near bird hide and removed encroaching willow
- Investigations into replacing bird hide and installed four bird boxes



Monday volunteer work party clearing pine saplings from a heathland area



Path clearance work

Compartment G

- Cleared vegetation from paths
- Removed gorse and small pines from paths at radio mast area and sentinel
- Felled three large trees and contractor felled two leaning oaks over garden
- Removed small pines near small pond & gorse from above Templars Way steps
- Bracken bruising and pulled pine saplings
- Surveyed heather regeneration using quadrats
- Installed bench next to pond (see photo)



Other work included:

- Foot and vehicle patrols throughout
- Litter picking throughout (see amounts in 7.3)
- Repairs to fencing along Templars Way
- Started checking of play area equipment from January 2021
- Cut vegetation around and re-painted 'bands' on waymarkers
- Plotted 'assets' on map and removed some 'historic' metal structures
- Reporting damages to infrastructure to WBRC
- Signage added to all entrances and replaced periodically
- Monthly management and anti-social reports to WBRC and LT
- Site meetings with WBRC and LT staff

7.2 Community Work

See listings in Section 8.0 but also included:

- Helped set up Dog Ambassadors with SDNPA staff and volunteers
- Updated 'Look Out For' blackboards every other month and made 'Chainsaw Checkers' next to Foreys pond
- Bat walk on 29th August and decorated sentinels with 'themed' outfits
- Pop up gazebo with CycleTech and put up lots of Covid notices
- Weekend volunteer work parties



*Hogmoor 'Hero's'
and Chainsaw
Checkers ®*

7.3 Anti-Social Behaviour

Major incidents included:

- Motorbike and quad bikes activity
- Removed tented area and spent a long time de-nailing trees
- Large amount of flytip removed included: 5 hippo bags, garden waste, plastic barriers, 30 bags of dog poo and broken glass
- Vandalism to bat maternity roost hatch, bug hotel, noticeboards, blackboards,
- Small fires in various places plus larger one (20 x 30m) attended by HFRS
- Reports of aggressive dogs and a roe deer had to be euthanised by RSPCA plus incidents of possible poisoned dog food being left
- Approximately 35 bags (25 bags in 2019/20) of general litter removed
- 4 truckloads (4 truckloads in 2019/20) of larger items removed

7.4 Species Recorded

The following species were recorded:

Mammals – Roe deer, fox, badger, rabbit, grey squirrel, field vole, wood mouse plus common & soprano pipistrelle and noctule bats

Birds – Buzzard, red kite, kestrel and sparrowhawk; Bullfinch, chaffinch, great-spotted and green woodpeckers, firecrest, goldcrest, little grebe, mallard, nuthatch and woodlark

Herps – Slow worm, grass snake, common lizard; Common frog and toad, smooth newt

Butterflies – Brimstone, clouded yellow, gatekeeper, grayling, holly blue, peacock, small copper, small skipper, small tortoiseshell and speckled wood

Insects – Bumble bees, green tiger beetle

Odonata – Broad-bodied chaser, common darter, emperor and southern hawker

Flora – Bristle bent, common and leaf cudweed, coral necklace, figwort, marsh speedwell, shepherd's cress and ling, purple and yellow loosestrife and soapwort

8.0 Community Ranger

Julie continued as the Community Ranger engaging with the community at large by organising and leading free, but occasionally chargeable, fun outdoor activities and events.

But due to the Coronavirus and occasional bad winter weather a lot of the events had to be cancelled leading to a lower number of events held and people attending.



Tree Dressing and Junior Rangers in Bordon Inclosure

Julie continued to liaise with other community development officers from various agencies within the town including Community First, Community Trust, Forest Community Centre, EHDC, Radian, Tesco's and Barnardo's.

Regular Events: [Last year's numbers in ()'s]

- Junior Rangers with some activities on-line (only 7 out of planned 28 sessions took place but still with average of 7 kids over all three sites) (25 sessions with average of 9).
- Pollyanna's Pre-school (10 sessions), Tots Rambles (185 kids) and Dog Walks (30 people) with all these cancelled due to Covid-19.

Events cancelled due to Covid-19 restrictions:

- VE75 Celebrations (HI)
- Gilbert White 300 Year Nature Festival
- Dawn Chorus (BI), Easter Crafting (BI & HI) and Half-Term events (LNR, BI & HI)
- Blessing of Bower, Woodland Fair and Blackmoor Apple Fair
- Barnadoes Bug Hunt (BI)
- Solstice Walk (HI) and Carols at the King (BI) and New Years Day Walk (HI)

On-line, Self-Guided and Smaller Events that did take place:

- Easter Colouring and Sunflower Growing competitions
- Halloween self-guided trails with Café 1759 (BI & LNR)
- Trolls and Hogs self-guided trail with Café Hogmoor (HI)
- Pond Dipping (LNR) and Bat Walks (BI & HI)



- Calendar Photography Competition with WBCT (HI)
- Elves in the Woods social media posts (LNR, BI & HI)
- Tree Dressing event self-guided (LNR, BI & HI)
- Christmas self-guided trails (LNR, BI & HI)
- Christmas themed outfits to statues and sentinels! (BI & HI)
- 'Lost Astronauts' self-lead trails (LNR, BI & HI)
- Woolmer Forest Timebank built and donated bird and bat boxes

So, because of Covid-19 the numbers attending events was hard to count because most were either self-guided or very small so we are well down on our 1860 from last year.



The three, monthly Junior Ranger clubs, held on the LNR and both Inclosures, remained well attended with a healthy waiting list despite Covid-19. A big thank you to Paul Charman for helping Julie run these sessions.

We continued to raise awareness of the Trust through Facebook, website, press and various advertising becoming well known in the town, schools and wider community.

9.0 Administration

9.1 Staffing

Jamie Cummins completed his tenth year with the Trust and seventh as Senior Ranger. Terry Read, who started in October 2013, continued as part-time Countryside Ranger and Brendan Finnegan, who also started the same time, extended his hours from part-time to full-time on 1st October 2020 as the Trust took on full-time management of Hogmoor Inclosure where he is the lead ranger.

Rebekah Smith started on 25th January 2021, replacing Dave Valler who sadly left on 4th December 2020, as Countryside Ranger for Bordon Inclosure. This full-time role included practical management responsibility, supporting the Community Ranger and Jamie, Brendan & Terry with practical management in the LNR and when required in Hogmoor Inclosure.

Julie Reid, who started in November 2018, continued her role as Community Ranger covering both Bordon & Hogmoor Inclosures and the LNR.

The rangers are also well supported by four groups of reliable hard-working volunteers with Deadwater volunteers on Mondays, Elizabeth Dibben on Thursdays and Bordon Inclosure and Hogmoor Inclosure volunteers on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays each month.

9.2 Facilities

The staff still benefit from a very good working relationship with the Phoenix Centre where the main office had a makeover with an internal wall removed and all redecorated, plus a smaller room/workshop also redecorated, tool shed and wood yard outside. For 3 months we used the Beehive in Hogmoor whilst the Phoenix Centre was refurbished.

Many thanks to all the volunteers especially Paul, Grant and Terry who helped paint the offices plus Dave who built more wood storage units in the yard.

9.3 Equipment and Training

The Trust has three vehicles; Isuzu D-Max 4x4 pickup, purchased in March 2020, Citroen Berlingo van purchased May 2016 and a Fiat Fullback 4x4 pickup leased by WBRC for Hogmoor Inclosure since October 2017.

All are invaluable in transporting staff, volunteers, tools, equipment and materials.

New tools/equipment included:

- Replaced aging Ford Ranger 4x4 with Isuzu D-Max 4x4
- All the vehicles passed their MoT and had annual service
- New chainsaw, petrol hedge-trimmer, cordless pressure washer, cordless drill/driver, screwdriver and spanner sets, claw and lump hammers, circular saw blades and sharpening kit, silky saw and blades, wood saw,
- Uniforms for RS & BF, volunteer uniforms, safety boots, chainsaw helmets, wellies
- Truck seat covers, first aid kit, fire extinguisher, vacuum cleaner
- Two new laptops, wildlife trail camera and various covid cleaning sundries!
- A range of conservation books
- All portable electrical equipment was PAT tested (thanks to Rob Allerston for this)

The Rangers, Trustees and Volunteers attended the following training courses/seminars:

- **Jamie** – SDNPA 'Heathland Spiders' webinar, SDNPA 'Outdoor Education Network' webinar, on-line 'Bats & Trees' training, River Wey Partnership 'Catchment Projects' webinar, RoSPA Routine Inspection course and Community First 'Conflict Management' course.
- **Brendan** – on-line 'Mammal ID' training, River Wey Partnership 'Catchment Projects' webinar and RoSPA Routine Inspection course.
- **Terry** – RoSPA Routine Inspection course.
- **Dave** – SDNPA 'Heathland Spiders' webinar and on-line 'Bats & Trees' training.
- **Julie** – SDNPA 'Heathland Spiders' webinar, SDNPA 'Outdoor Education Network' webinar, SDNPA Accessibility for All' webinar, River Wey Partnership 'Catchment Projects' webinar and RoSPA Routine Inspection course.
- **Rebekah** – River Wey Partnership 'Catchment Projects' webinar.
- **Trustees** – Nora - SDNPA 'Heathland Spiders' webinar, River Wey Partnership 'Catchment Projects' webinar and Community First 'Conflict Management' course; Paul - RoSPA Routine Inspection course.



Contractor working on bamboo removal in LNR

10.0 Education

Educational visits were extremely limited by covid guidelines this year although Julie managed to continue and co-ordinate the Junior Ranger education using on-line tasks and activities. Other school activities were limited to:

- Two classes from Bordon Juniors school (Yr.5) on 'River Studies'
- Two classes from Weyford Juniors school (Yr.3) on 'Erosion'
- Hollywater school DoE group visited Bordon Inclosure
- Unfortunately, we had to cancel two school work placements due to Covid-19
- All nurseries and pre-schools were encouraged to visit solo

Only 4 classes were taken out (19 in 2019/20) this meant only 122 children & 13 adults had vital nature experience with the rangers (down 460 & 70 respectively from 2019/20).

Further education included:

- Filled out paperwork for two DoE students
- Gave out litter picking kits to three new DoE students
- Yr.13 Godalming College work experience for 1 week
- One Sparshott student on work experience one-day per week
- Unfortunately, we had to cancel the SDNPA apprentice due to Covid-19

Uniformed groups included:

- We helped Bordon scouts with a duck race in Bordon Inclosure to raise funds

11.0 Community

11.1 Friends of the Deadwater

Unfortunately, no editions of the Deadwater Dispatch were written this year due to other work pressures and staff commitments and there were no Christmas lunch or BBQ due to covid restrictions.

The AGM on the 30th June was conducted via Zoom and attended by 18 people.

Also, Maureen Aldridge a long standing FoD and DVT Trustee who sadly passed away in February 2021.

11.2 Volunteers

The Trust is blessed with a merry and hard-working band of volunteers without whom all of the practical management could not have been achieved over the past 12 months. Unfortunately, we had to cancel 67 work parties due to Coronavirus.

Monday group – 25 work parties with an average of 11 (12 in 2019/20) with a high of 14 volunteers with 9 new faces joining (9 in 2019/2020).

Thursday group – 16 work parties with an average of 6 (5 in 2019/20) with a high of 9 volunteers with 5 new faces joining (8 in 2019/2020).

Saturday groups – Combined we had 10 work parties with an average of 10 (9 in 2019/20) with a high of 17 volunteers with 2 new faces joining (14 in 2019/20).

Combined these volunteer workparties amount to approximately 1790 hours spent on practical management, equivalent to 225 days work! (2283 hours and 285 days for 2019/2020 even though we lost 67 work parties)

Also, a special mention to Sarah Perryman, a Sparsholt student, who came in a total of 20 days and Ronan Cummins who also volunteered for 30 days especially over the lockdown period when we were limiting mixing of households.

Other volunteers helped in different ways; Paul Charman with junior rangers and all the painting, Grant Dawkins and Terry Hoar also for their painting, Dave Lackie for building woodyard structures and Ron & Margaret Williams for kindling.

Again because of covid we couldn't celebrate all their hard work with a winter BBQ or a Christmas dinner but over this period we did have 14 new volunteers join us!

11.3 Working with Whitehill Town Council, the Land Trust and other Agencies

The rangers continued to work closely with WTC staff especially Stephen Uden and Marie-Anne Phillips from the Land Trust, advising on a variety of projects or conservation concerns around the town.

The rangers attended various meetings, events and workshops including:

- Weekly DVT management meetings, monthly team meetings and bi-monthly Trustee meetings
- Lots of meetings about SLA extensions for BI and HI
- Bi-monthly reports for DVT Trustees and quarterly reports for WTC
- Monthly site meetings with WTC and quarterly NGSC meetings
- Commented on GGGL improvements project
- Monthly meetings with WBRC and then LT
- Site meetings with HCC staff about Green-Grid-Green-Loop project in LNR & BI
- Site meetings with HCC and EHDC staff about the 'Wayfinding Project'
- Meetings about the Honey Pin orchard project and Bee sculpture
- Meetings with Community Trust
- Meetings with SDNPA Heathlands Reunited staff
- EHDC 'Spring into Health' meetings
- Green Network Quick-win project (see Section 14)
- Meetings with various contractors, ecologists and residents
- Filled out various on-line surveys including for:
 - National Federation of Parks & Greenspaces ref covid-19
 - SDNPA 'Covid-19 Impact'
 - Forestry Commissions '2020 British Woodlands'
 - British Wildlife Journal 'Readers Feedback'

11.4 Wider Community

Other events/meetings were heavily curtailed by Covid-19 but did included:

- Installed WFHS interpretation board on Broxhead Common
- Replacing all the Green Network signage with new updated signs
- Made video for The Phoenix 'GU35' art project
- Lots of visits to resident's houses and gardens about overhanging trees etc
- Collected various bird and bat boxes constructed by local residents

12.0 Marketing and Events

The website and Facebook pages were regularly updated by Julie and Dave. Social media was heavily used this year to connect with people during lockdown.

The ranger uniforms and sign-written ranger vehicles both help to better advertise the Trust's presence on the LNR, SANGs and within the town.

The aluminium noticeboards at Reserve main entrances plus smaller wooden noticeboards continue to help to promote the Trust and recruit new volunteers.

12.1 Wednesday Guided Walks

Jamie and Bill continued as leaders but with only 13 wildlife walks in the local area, with an average attendance of 6 walkers and a high of 15 (9 and 22 respectively in 2019/20) and 1 new face joining. But again, a lot (38/51) were cancelled due to Coronavirus.

12.2 Historic Deadwater Events

All the historic DVT annual events were cancelled due to Covid restrictions this year including Blessing of Bower, Woodland Fair, Christmas Dinner and BBQ. The only one that did survive was the Duck Race which this year was done 'virtually' and was an amazing success both for publicity and financially with 365 tickets sold over two races!

12.3 Press and Publicity

Regular press releases were issued, but limited, about DVT events and work activities with a press release for Bekah starting and articles in WBRC newsletter.

13.0 Funding and Fund Raising

£43,050 was awarded from WTC for the first year of the extended Service Level Agreement (SLA) for the LNR, a further £35,855, for the fifth year of Bordon Inclosure SLA and £37,161 from WBRC for fourth year of the Hogmoor Inclosure SLA.

Successful grant applications included:

- £1000 from EHDC Cllr Maroney for 'Who Ate Puhl' reptile and amphibian project
- Completed EHDC monitoring forms for Green Network project and bamboo project

Unsuccessful grant applications included:

- £4,800 from Affinity Water and £900 from Lindford Parish Council for invasive crayfish removal project

Funding raising activities:

- FoD Membership £20 (£60 for 2019/20)
- Duck Races £337 (£175 for 2019/20)
- Woodland Fair £0 (£150 for 2019/20)
- Hogmoor Calendar £375
- Donations £500 from Mr & Mrs Thomson plus £160 from others (£135 for 2019/20)
- **Total £1392 (£520 in 2019/20)**

14.0 Eco-town Quick Win Projects

Only one out the original five Eco-town Quick Win projects for biodiversity is still current which is 'Connecting Green Spaces in Whitehill & Bordon (Green Network)' managed by Jamie.

All the boards were re-branded and replaced with funding from Cllr Carew (see photo).



15.0 The Year Ahead

The continuing aim is to maintain the Deadwater Valley Local Nature Reserve and both Bordon and Hogmoor Inclosure SANGs both for the benefit of the flora and fauna and as a public open space to be used for quiet enjoyment by the local residents and visitors.

Aims for 2021/2022 include; Improvements to Knox's Pond; Access improvements into southern end of Alexandra Park; Re-build Hogmoor bird hide; Secure funding for existing & future staff; Seek grants for projects and increase Volunteer & Friends of Deadwater numbers.

To work closely with the WTC, LT and WBRC and others in the development of the town to ensure conservation and protection of the local green spaces and biodiversity.

16.0 Acknowledgements

The Chair and Senior Ranger wish to thank all the dedicated Volunteers and Friends, new and old, who have supported the Trust during this reporting period. They extend their thanks to the officers of the Trust, The Phoenix Arts Centre, WTC, LT and Bruce Collinson at WBRC plus Martin Dobson and Mike Lawn, without their help and support the success of the Trust could not be maintained.

The following table details the attendance of Trustees at scheduled meetings:

1.	Mrs N Dobson	Chair & DVT Conservation Volunteers	7/7
2.	Dr W Wain	Vice-Chair & Woolmer Forest Heritage Society	6/7
3.	Mr R Betteley	Treasurer & Walldown Preservation Society	6/7
4.	Mr G Dawkins	Secretary & Local Resident	7/7
5.	Mrs T Privetii	Co-opted & Friends of the Deadwater	7/7
6.	Mrs M Aldridge	Local Resident	2/6
7.	Mr P Charman	Local Resident	7/7
8.	Mrs P Bruton	Co-opted	2/2
9.	Cllr C Clarke	Whitehill Town Council	1/1
10.	Cllr T Strickland	Whitehill Town Council	5/7
11.	Cllr D Tennyson	East Hampshire District Council	5/7
12.	Cllr A Carew	Hampshire County Council	1/7
Jamie Cummins		Senior Countryside Ranger	7/7
Rebekah Smith		Bordon Inclosure Ranger	1/1



Spawn in Knox's Pond

Deadwater Valley Trust

Receipts and Payments Account **for the period ending 31st March 2021**

Receipts

		<u>LNR</u>	<u>B/I</u>	<u>H/I</u>
Grants				
Service Contracts	116,521.99	43,050.00	35,855.38	37,616.61
EHDC	1,000.00	1,000.00	-	-
Donations	794.80	794.80	-	-
Fund Raising	348.19	348.19	-	-
Knepp Refund	350.00	-	-	350.00
Sale of Goods	3,661.44	2,054.10	82.20	1,525.14
	<u>122,676.42</u>	<u>47,247.09</u>	<u>35,937.58</u>	<u>39,491.75</u>

Payments

Labour	85,287.07	35,926.50	26,505.50	22,855.07
Rent	2,841.00	947.00	947.00	947.00
Telephone	506.48	182.16	162.16	162.16
Insurance	1,146.60	382.20	382.20	382.20
Office Expenses	2,446.96	784.54	819.60	842.82
Photocopies	93.89	47.00	46.89	-
Travel	62.86	-	62.86	-
Site Maintenance & Tools	11,298.04	4,375.86	4,553.57	2,368.61
Vehicle	18,339.71	15,997.89	1,883.82	458.00
Training	860.10	431.69	291.69	136.72
Protective Clothing	776.03	287.07	213.92	275.04
Volunteers	68.01	3.68	56.72	7.61
Advertising	125.00	-	125.00	-
Office Refurbishment	4,950.00	-	-	4,950.00
	<u>128,801.75</u>	<u>59,365.59</u>	<u>36,050.93</u>	<u>33,385.23</u>

Nett Receipts/Payments	- 6,125.33	- 12,118.50	- 113.35	6,106.52
Brought F'wd from 2019	181,421.39	138,368.33	38,565.83	4,487.23
	<u>175,296.06</u>	<u>126,249.83</u>	<u>38,452.48</u>	<u>10,593.75</u>
Transfer to Savings	100,000.00			
Balance @ Bank	<u>75,296.06</u>			
Invested Funds	102,559.02			

Deadwater Valley Trust						
Registered Charity Number 900562						
Statement of Assets and Liabilities						
at 31st March 2021						
					31.03.20	31.03.21
Cash Funds						
	Coif Charties Deposit Fund				102,476.68	102,559.02
	Lloyds Bank Current Account				81,421.39	75,296.06
					183,898.07	177,855.08
Liabilities						
	Income Tax and National Insurance Due				1,254.41	1,629.65

Signed by the Chair on behalf of all the Trustees

Mrs N Dobson

Date of Approval

3.5.2021

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Deadwater Valley Trust

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2021, set out above.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner:

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act), as amended by s.28 of the Charities Act 2006) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 43 (3) (a) of the 1993 Act, as amended);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act, as amended); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Acthave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: *T. J. Davis*

Date:

Name: Mr. Timothy Davis

Address:

8 Borovere Close,
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Hants
GU34 1LR

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Date:

26/10/21

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Appendix.1
Mike Lawn Bird Surveys 2020

Deadwater Valley LNR
Bordon Inclosure
Hogmoor Inclosure

Appendix 1
Water Level Survey 2020

Location: Bay of
Bristol
Height: 10m

Deadwater LNR 2020																				
Species	6-Jan-20	9-Jan-20	13-Jan-20	17-Jan-20	28-Jan-20	3-Feb-20	11-Feb-20	23-Feb-20	3-Mar-20	14-Mar-20	18-Mar-20	25-Mar-20	1-Apr-20	12-Jun-20	22-Jun-20	21-Jul-20	29-Sep-20	6-Dec-20	17-Dec-20	26-Dec-20
Canada Goose																				
Grevlag Goose																				
Mute Swan																				
Egyptian Goose																				
Mandarin						P	P	P	2M	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Mallard				P																
Pheasant																				
Grey Heron																				
Little Egret																		1		
Sparrowhawk																				
Red Kite					1			1				2	1				1			
Buzzard				P	P	1	2	1	1	1				P (juvs)	P	P	P	P		
Moorhen	3				3	3														
Black-headed Gull																				
Herring Gull																				
Lesser Black-backed Gull																				
Stock Dove								1M	1M	1M										
Woodpigeon	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Collared Dove																				
Cuckoo																				
Tawny Owl																				
Swift																				
G.S. Spotted Woodp.	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Green Woodpecker					1	1	1	1	1								P			
Kestrel																				
Kingfisher																				1
Jay	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Magpie	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Jackdaw	P	5	P	P	P				P								P			
Rook	1			P														1		
Carion Crow	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Raven																			1	
Coal Tit	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P						
Marsh Tit	1	1					IM(S)													
Blue Tit	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Great Tit	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Woodlark																	1			
Skvllark																				
Swallow																				
House Martin																				
Long-tailed Tit																				
Chiffchaff	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Blackcap											2M	4M	1M	P	P	P	3			
Garden Warbler																				
Whitethroat																				
Firecrest	1	1			1		1		4 ^A	1		1M	3	1M	1M					1
Goldcrest	3			2	1	2	1	3M		3	2	3		1	P					
Wren	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Nuthatch	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Treecreeper	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
Starling																				
Blackbird	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

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Alexandra Park and Bordon Inclosure 2020																
Species	6-Jan-20	13-Jan-20	17-Jan-20	28-Jan-20	3-Feb-20	11-Feb-20	23-Feb-20	3-Mar-20	14-Mar-20	18-Mar-20	25-Mar-20	12-Jun-20	22-Jun-20	21-Jul-20	29-Sep-20	6-Dec-20
Canada Goose	8															
Greylag Goose																
Mute Swan																
Egyptian Goose																
Mandarin																
Mallard				4	P		3 Pairs	1 Pair	P	P	P			P	5M,1F	P
Pheasant																
Grey Heron																
Little Egret																
Sparrowhawk																
Red Kite	1					2										
Buzzard			1	1	1			1	1		1			1		
Moorhen														1		P
Black-headed Gull		20		8	8	12		1	2	2		1			1	P
Herring Gull		2							1							P
Lesser Black-backed Gull																
Stock Dove			1M	1M	1M	1M		1M		1M	P	P	P	P	P	P
Woodpigeon	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Collared Dove													1			
Cuckoo																
Tawny Owl											1					
Swift																
G.S. Spotted Woodp.	P		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P
Green Woodpecker							1	1	1				1		P	
Kestrel																
Kingfisher														1		
Jay	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P
Magpie	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Jackdaw	P	P	P	P	40	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rook																
Carion Crow	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Raven																
Coal Tit	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
Marsh Tit		1						2						1		
Blue Tit	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Great Tit	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Woodlark																
Skylark																
Swallow																
House Martin																
Long-tailed Tit			P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P		P
Chiffchaff										2	P	P	P	P		
Blackcap											2M	P	P	P		

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Hogmoor Inclosure 2020					
Species	28-Mar-20	8-Apr-20	24-Jun-20	24-Sep-20	
Canada Goose					
Greylag Goose					
Mute Swan					
Egyptian Goose					
Mandarin					
Mallard					
Pheasant					
Grey Heron					
Little Egret					
Sparrowhawk		1M			
Red Kite					
Buzzard					
Moorhen					
Black-headed Gull					
Herring Gull					
Lesser Black-backed Gull					
Stock Dove					
Woodpigeon	P	P	P	P	
Collared Dove					
Cuckoo					
Tawny Owl					
Swift					
G.S. Spotted Woodp.	P	P		P	
Green Woodpecker					
Kestrel					
Jay	P	P		P	
Magpie	P	P		P	
Jackdaw				P	
Rook					
Carrion Crow	P	P	P	P	
Raven				1	
Coal Tit	P	P		P	
Marsh Tit					
Blue Tit	P	P		P	
Great Tit	P	P		P	
Woodlark					
Skylark					
Swallow					
House Martin					
Long-tailed Tit	P	P	P		
Chiffchaff	P	P	P	P	
Willow Warbler		1M			
Blackcap	1M	2M	P		
Garden Warbler					
Whitethroat			1		
Firecrest					
Goldcrest					

Wren	P	P	P	P	
Nuthatch		P			
Treecreeper					
Starling				9	
Blackbird	P	P		P	
Fieldfare					
Redwing					
Song Thrush	P	P			
Mistle Thrush					
Spotted Flycatcher					
Robin	P	P	P	P	
House Sparrow					
Duncock		P		P	
Grey Wagtail					
Pied Wagtail					
Meadow Pipit					
Chaffinch	P	P		P	
Brambling					
Bullfinch					
Greenfinch					
Linnet			1M		
Lesser Redpoll	2				
Crossbill					
Goldfinch					
Siskin				P	
Yellowhammer		1M			
Invertebrates					
Jet Black Ant <i>Lasius fuliginosus</i>		P			
Large Sharp-tail Bee			P		
<i>Amophila pubescens</i>			P		

