



**BISHAM NEST BOX GROUP**  
**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

**CHARITY REGISTRATION NO: 1166818**

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**Trustees' Report for the year ended 31 March 2021**

TRUSTEES AT 31 MARCH 2021	Robert Keene  Brian Clews  Brendan King
REGISTERED ADDRESS	231 Courthouse Road Maidenhead SL6 6HF
DATE OF REGISTRATION	28 April 2016
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	The charity is a charitable incorporated organisation registered with the Charity Commission of England and Wales. The charity was established by its constitution dated 6 August 2014.
BANKERS	Lloyds Bank Business Banking  BX1 1LT

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**Trustees' Report for the year ended 31 March 2021 contd.**

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT for year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021**

2020/21 has been another successful year for the group. We have seen a continued demand for our boxes and we have been able to maintain a comfortable balance between demand and our ability to fulfil delivery of orders.

**EVENTS:**

The Covid pandemic restrictions limited our activities somewhat from March 2020 but after lockdown one was lifted we were able to continue making boxes by means of two people at a time meeting up at our workshop, thanks to the kind auspices of Nick and Stephanie Papillon. We also kept production moving along by taking prepared parts home to be assembled.

We were unable to hold any of our usual face-to-face public nest box assembly events this year but were able to host our annual promotional event online via Zoom. Members of three local wildlife groups were invited to attend and more than sixty viewers joined which was a great way to highlight our services and some orders were received as a result. Restrictions permitting, we plan to return to Braywick Nature Centre for this event in January 2022.

In March, 27 tit boxes, previously supplied as kits by ourselves to RBWM and assembled by the students of a local school, were installed, along with owl and kestrel boxes, in the important wildlife conservation area of Battlemead, now owned and managed by the borough council. This operation was instigated by Jason Mills, RBWM Countryside Manager, and was surveyed and supervised by Brian Clews, one of our trustees.

**"SALES":**

In total we made 118 nest boxes of various types during the year, for which we received donations totalling £3811.

We were contacted in December 2020 by the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust who had created an initiative to encourage a group of farms in Oxfordshire to put up nest boxes and we were able to provide 18 of these for the project and received donations of £705.

Another major source of orders for us this year has been the World Owl Trust, through a contact based near Didcot, Oxfordshire. This has so far resulted in orders to the value of £570 and is set to continue in 2021.

The Maidenhead Cookham and Marlow Swift Group continues to generate orders and has resulted in sales of fourteen more boxes for us this year. We are hearing of more cases of our swift boxes being occupied by swifts, so perseverance is paying off.

Thames Water continues to provide a valuable source of orders and we have been asked to supply 100 garden-bird nest box kits for their family assembly sessions, value £800.

The grand total of boxes of all types made since we started is now more than 920, as detailed below, and we look forward to breaking the 1000 mark in 2021/22:

<b>TOTALS by year</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019/20</b>	<b>2020/21</b>	<b>Cumulative</b>
BARN OWL	23	39	11	7	8	10	14	112
TAWNY OWL	18	43	10	5	11	10	10	107
LITTLE OWL	0	32	6	1	2	1	16	58
KESTREL	5	17	4	3	3	1	1	34
SWIFT	0	0	59	4	7	24	14	108
GARDEN BIRDS	0	42	70	86	44	172	55	469
BAT							7	7
HEDGEHOG	0	0	0	0	0	21	1	22
Totals per year	46	173	160	106	75	243	118	
<b>Grand total at 31/03/2021</b>								<b>921</b>

The figures for bat boxes were previously included in the garden birds numbers.

**DONATIONS MADE:**

A big success for us this year was the request to provide a nest platform for a pair of Peregrine Falcons who took up residence on the spire of All Saints Church, Marlow last year. This has resulted in a clutch of four eggs being laid (April 2021) and we look forward to a good outcome for these iconic birds. Our funds (from donations) enabled us to provide the nest platform free of charge to the Wild Marlow wildlife group who instigated the idea.

We were also able to donate funds for a nest camera for a barn owl box which will provide valuable information for those monitoring the breeding progress of the birds using the box without the need to disturb them.

We also gave a complimentary kestrel nest box to a customer who has been very helpful in promoting awareness of our activities.

**DONATIONS RECEIVED:**

In addition to receipts to cover the cost of materials for our wildlife homes we have received additional gratuities from some of our customers, for which we are very grateful.

**OTHER NEWS:**

A new swift support group has been formed in Henley on Thames and we have begun to supply boxes and call players for them but, thankfully, have not had to install them. Henley has an established population of swifts and this initiative is likely to generate continuing orders for us.

That concludes my report but I would like to express my sincere thanks to all of you for your continued support and dedication to our cause, particularly Nick and Steph Papillon for the use of their premises and for the coffee and biscuits which make the whole project worthwhile! Also to my fellow trustees and to Brendan King, BNBG Treasurer, who has helped me with ladder-handling and box installations.

Bob Keene, BNBG chairman.

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>	£	£
Sales and installation of bird boxes	3,331	4,934
Donations	610	200
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<b>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</b>	<b>3,941</b>	<b>5,134</b>
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<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>		
Materials	1,871	2,299
Tools & Equipment	244	84
Use of premises for workshop	240	316
Insurance	146	146
Printing & stationery	211	112
Donations	261	577
Travel Expenses	52	45
Website	104	103
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<b>TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>	<b>3,129</b>	<b>3,682</b>
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<b>NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES</b>	<b>812</b>	<b>1,452</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD</b>	<b>4,065</b>	<b>2,613</b>
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b>4,877</b>	<b>4,065</b>
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**BALANCE SHEET**

**AS AT 31 MARCH 2021**

	2021	2020
<b>Current Assets</b>	£	£
Cash at Bank	2,133	3,629
Debtors	0	110
Stock	2,891	566
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ASSETS	5,024	4,305
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Less: Accruals	147	240
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NET ASSETS	4,877	4,065
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 <b>Funds of the Charity</b>		
General Funds	4,877	4,065
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TOTAL FUNDS	4,877	4,065
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The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:

Mr Robert Keene  
Chairman



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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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The trustees have agreed that an independent examination is not required as the gross income is less than £25,000.

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Basis of preparation:

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRSSE) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015) and the Charities Act 2011.

The particular accounting policies adopted are set out below.

**Incoming Resources**

**Grants and Donations**

Grants and Donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

**Volunteer Help**

The value of any volunteer help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the Trustees' annual report.

**Expenditure and liabilities**

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category.

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

**Stock**

Stock of completed boxes and raw materials are included at cost price as at the year end.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS contd.**

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**2. TRUSTEES**

The only payments made to Trustees or any persons connected with them during this financial period were reimbursements for items purchased or provided on behalf of the charity.

**3. RESERVES POLICY**

The trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The trustees aim to ensure the charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily. The policy is described in more detail in the trustees' report.

**4. PUBLIC BENEFIT**

The charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this are provided in the trustees' report. The trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.