

BISHAM NEST BOX GROUP
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022



CHARITY REGISTRATION NO: 1166818

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Trustees' Report for the year ended 31 March 2022

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 2022 contd.

2021/22 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, although delivery times for some orders have been longer than normal and some have been completed later than we would have liked for the 2022 breeding season.

EVENTS:

Despite the Covid pandemic we were able to continue making boxes outdoors by means of mask wearing and social distancing at our workshop, thanks to the kind auspices of Nick and Stephanie Papillon, who keep us fortified with coffee and biscuits. We also kept production moving along by taking some parts home to be prepared. In this way we were able to prepare enough kits of parts for the family box-assembly sessions that we ran, details below.

An annual nest-box workshop for Wild Cookham, scheduled for 15th January 2022, had to be abandoned due to Covid restrictions.

On 11th September 2021 Brendan kindly ran a family garden-bird nest-box building session for Wild Marlow at their Green Village stall at Marlow Carnival. Eleven kits were assembled and sold.

On 26th September I ran a similar session for the parishioners of All Saints Church, Marlow and 26 kits were assembled and sold. This was also instigated by Wild Marlow.

On 19th March 2022 we were able to resume our annual Homes for Wildlife event, hosted by Wild Maidenhead, at Braywick Nature Centre. A satisfying number of visitors attended and we were able to give advice on using our products for owls and raptors, garden birds, swifts, bats, hedgehogs and bees. The highlight of the event was the assembly of garden bird nest boxes from our kits of parts by the visitors themselves. This is always popular, especially with children and is a great way to get youngsters engaged with wildlife. Twenty boxes were built and taken home, as well as some finished bird and bat boxes. The event had been scheduled for 19th February but was delayed due to Covid, so the finished boxes were a little late to catch the start of the breeding season.

As part of the Eco-Church project we supplied wildlife homes to St Edmund Campion Church, Altwood Road, Maidenhead. These included a sparrow terrace and a swift box with call player system.

"SALES":

In total we made 462 nest boxes of various types during the year.

A major source of orders for us this year has again been the British Owl Trust, through a contact based near Didcot, Oxfordshire. This has resulted in orders to the value of £1390 and looks set to continue in 2022/23. At time of writing we have orders on the books to the value of £830.

The Maidenhead Cookham and Marlow Swift Group continues to generate orders and we have also supplied some to the Henley Swift Group this year. We are hearing of more cases of our swift boxes being occupied by swifts, so perseverance is paying off.

This year we have supplied and installed 15 House Sparrow terrace nest boxes to Wild Maidenhead for a drive to boost the number of nest spaces available as homes are modernised and roof crevices are blocked. This brought in a donation of £400.

We were also approached by Wild Cookham to provide twenty nest cups for House Martins in a similar initiative. These were made mainly from waste materials that are a by-product of our main production so we were able to donate them at very little cost to ourselves.

Another addition to our product range for 2021/22 has been nest boxes for solitary bees and we have so far provided six of these but have been asked for a further twenty for the first Wild Marlow Bee Festival in June 2022.

The grand total of boxes of all types made since we started is approaching 1250, as detailed below:

TOTALS by year	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019/20	2021	2022 to date	Cumulative
BARN OWL	23	39	11	7	8	10	39	8	145
TAWNY OWL	18	43	10	5	11	10	25	4	126
LITTLE OWL	0	32	6	1	2	1	10	4	56
KESTREL	5	17	4	3	3	1	4	5	42
SWIFT	0	0	59	4	7	24	17	4	115
GARDEN BIRDS & BAT	0	42	70	86	44	172	186	132	732
HEDGEHOG	0	0	0	0	0	21	4	1	26
BEE	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	6
Totals per year	46	173	160	106	75	243	287	162	
Grand total at 31/03/2022									1248

DONATIONS MADE:

From donations received from our customers, over and above the cost of their boxes, we have been able to make our own donations to local wildlife projects as follows:

£200 to Bisham Barn Owl Group for nest monitoring expenses

£200 to Wild Marlow for a webcam to monitor the Marlow peregrines

£100 to Brian Clews for binoculars for use by participants on his wildlife surveys

£100 to the new young people's wildlife group Wild SL6

From the saving made by our donation of the free house martin nest cups Wild Cookham were able to save £140

We also made some free-of-charge replacement boxes for early ones, made by us, which were beyond repair.

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:

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, sometimes in trying conditions. Thanks particularly to 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 2022

	2022	2021
INCOMING RESOURCES	£	£
Sales and installation of bird boxes	8,502	3,331
Donations	613	610
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TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	9,115	3,941
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RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Materials	5,018	1,871
Tools & Equipment	69	244
Use of premises for workshop	322	240
Insurance	146	146
Printing & stationery	311	211
Donations	731	261
Travel Expenses	253	52
Website	106	104
BBOWT	72	0
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TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	7,028	3,129
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NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES	2,087	812
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD	4,877	4,065
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TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	6,964	4,877
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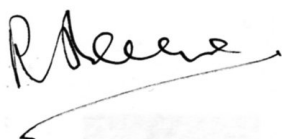
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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

	2022	2021
Current Assets	£	£
Cash at Bank	3,892	2,133
Debtors	0	0
Stock	3,311	2,891
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ASSETS	7,203	5,024
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Less: Accruals	239	147
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NET ASSETS	6,964	4,877
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 Funds of the Charity		
General Funds	6,964	4,877
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TOTAL FUNDS	6,964	4,877
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The financial statements were approved by the Board of trustees on 28th May 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R Keene', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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.