



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st August 2023 Period start date To 31st July 2024 Period end date

Charity name: Libertys Owl Raptor and Reptile Centre

Charity registration number: 1168530

Objectives and Activities

| | SORP reference | |
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| Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document | Para 1.17 | To promote and advance the education of public re the conservation of British and worldwide birds of prey and reptiles. Care and rehabilitation of injured wild birds of prey. |
| Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts. | Para 1.17 and 1.19 | Education by way of onsite and offsite demonstrations. Work placements for students from schools, colleges and universities. Advice to local vets, other centres and private falconers. |
| Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit | Para 1.18 | I confirm that the trustees have given regrd to the guidance given. |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

| | SORP reference | |
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| Policy on grant making | Para 1.38 | |
| Policy on social investment including program related investment | Para 1.38 | |
| Contribution made by volunteers | Para 1.38 | Volunteers have been instrumental in the rebuilding and upkeep of the centre. |
| Other | | |

Achievements and Performance

| | SORP reference | |
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| Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole. | Para 1.20 | Continuation in the successful breeding of red listed vultures Enclosures have once again been enlarged in line with DEFRA's new Zoo Licencing Provision of birds boxes in various local areas for owls and kestrels and erected by staff members Continuation of educating on the importance of bees and the keeping of them. We now have 12 hives Acceptance onto a breed and release programme for Chaco owls into their native country. |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| Achievements against objectives set | Para 1.41 | |
| Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set | Para 1.41 | |
| Investment performance against objectives | Para 1.41 | |
| Other | | |

Financial Review

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| Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period | Para 1.21 | Total funds carried forward as of 31 st July were in the sum of £85,814 |
| Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held | Para 1.22 | The reserves are held purely for the furtherance of the charities principal activity and the animals welfare. |
| Amount of reserves held | Para 1.22 | £85814 |
| Reasons for holding zero reserves | Para 1.22 | |
| Details of fund materially in deficit | Para 1.24 | |
| Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern | Para 1.23 | |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising) | Para 1.47 | Received through paying visitors and a legacy |
| Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted | Para 1.46 | |
| A description of the principal risks facing the charity | Para 1.46 | |
| Other | | |

Structure, Governance and Management

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| Description of charity's trusts: | | |
| Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter) | Para 1.25 | CIO adopted 1 ST August 2016 |
| How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association , CIO) | Para 1.25 | CIO |
| Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees | Para 1.25 | All trustees remain as previously appointed |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees | Para 1.51 | |
| The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works | Para 1.51 | |
| Relationship with any related parties | Para 1.51 | |
| Other | | |

Reference and Administrative details

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|-----------------------------|--|
| Charity name | Libertys Owl Raptor and Reptile Centre |
| Other name the charity uses | LORRC |
| Registered charity number | 1168530 |
| Charity's principal address | Crow Lane Ringwood BH24 3EA |
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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 | Lynda Bridges | Chair | | |
| 2 | Jayson Bridges | Vice Chair | | |
| 3 | Olwen Watts | | | |
| 4 | Steve Manston | | | |
| 5 | Colin Jagers | | | |
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

[illegible]

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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| Description of the assets held in this capacity | |
| Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects | |
| Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets | |

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

| Type of adviser | Name | Address |
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

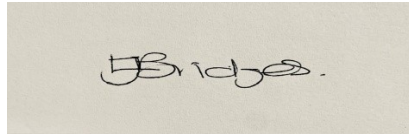
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Declarations

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)

Lynda Bridges

Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

3rd June 2025

LIBERTYS RAPTOR & REPTILE CENTRE
CHARITY NO: 1168530

Trustees Report for the Year to 31st July 2024

The Trustees who have served the whole of this year and have served since the formation of the Charity have agreed to continue in their appointments. They have been supportive constantly and are as follows:

Lynda Bridges (Founding Trustee)
Jason Bridges
Olwen Watts
Steven Manston
Colin Taggers

After many years of hand to mouth management the Charity is now financially stable, due not only to long hard work by staff and the Trustees but most fortunately due to the first substantial legacy received by the Trust.

This has placed the Trust where it has been able to update its maintenance and improvement plan for Libertys Raptor and Reptiler Centre.

Objectives:

The objectives of the Trust continue to be education and conservation by exhibiting birds of prey and reptiles to the public in an ethical and responsible manner. The staff are knowledgeable and can talk freely and professionally about breeding in captivity and the protection of reptiles in the ever increasingly shrinking habitats available and in detail on many rare species.

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Financial Results

The excess of income over expenditure was £85,814 compared with £6,762 for 2023. this was mainly due to the legacy of £95,000.

The Trustees have been advised there are several further legacies to come from the same estate.

This has allowed a major increase in maintenance. £43,951 this year compared with £25,518 last year.

The main financing loan from Lloyds Bank has been much reduced as has the Bounce Back Loan as follows:

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|------------------|--------|--------|
| | £ | £ |
| Long Term Loan | 37,912 | 24,145 |
| Bounce Back Loan | 14,166 | 9,165 |

Both will be repaid from the legacy.

The Accumulated Fund has increased to £164,428 from £78,614

The Trust is now set up financially in a way never before. However, the Founding Trustee with her support Trustees is determined to act with care and prudence in future matters.



Mrs L. Bridges
Founding Trustee

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INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST JULY 2024

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|---|----------------------|---------------------|
| Income | <u>351,411</u> | <u>235,105</u> |
| | 351,411 | 235,105 |
| Purchases for Shop | | |
| Stock B/F | 9,323 | 13,289 |
| Purchases | 23,177 | 18,753 |
| Less: Stocks | <u>11,220</u> | <u>9,323</u> |
| | 21,280 | 22,719 |
| Direct Costs: | | |
| Veterinary Costs & Microchips | 1,585 | 1,682 |
| Animal Food | 15,426 | 12,495 |
| Wages | 114,741 | 91,711 |
| Uniforms | <u>1,586</u> | <u>670</u> |
| | <u>133,338</u> | <u>106,558</u> |
| Gross profit | 196,793 | 105,828 |
| Promotional Costs: | | |
| Advertising | 7,396 | 6,874 |
| Motor Costs | <u>1,497</u> | <u>1,902</u> |
| | 8,893 | 8,776 |
| Administration Costs: | | |
| Telephone | 918 | 919 |
| Stationery/Printing/Postage | 1,012 | 852 |
| I.T. Costs | 110 | - |
| National Federation of Small Businesses | <u>253</u> | <u>-</u> |
| | 2,293 | 1,771 |
| Property Costs: | | |
| Waste, Cleaning & Pest Control | 2,384 | 6,210 |
| Heat & Light | 13,723 | 13,464 |
| Insurance | 2,272 | 4,950 |
| Rent etc | 19,200 | 19,200 |
| Repairs, Renewals & Maintenance | <u>43,951</u> | <u>25,518</u> |
| | 81,530 | 69,342 |
| Professional Fees: | | |
| Accountancy | 3,960 | 3,600 |
| Consultancy | <u>1,072</u> | - |
| | 5,032 | |
| Financial Costs: | | |
| Bank Charges | 3,287 | 2,646 |
| Interest | <u>2,787</u> | <u>5,922</u> |
| | 6,074 | 8,568 |
| | <u>103,822</u> | <u>92,057</u> |
| Excess of Expenditure over Income before Depreciation | 92,971 | 13,771 |
| Less Depreciation Charge | <u>7,157</u> | <u>7,009</u> |
| Excess of Expenditure over Income after Depreciation | <u><u>85,814</u></u> | <u><u>6,762</u></u> |

LIBERTYS RAPTOR & REPTILE CENTRE
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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31ST JULY 2024

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Fixed Assets: | 91,313 | 98,470 |
| Current Assets: | | |
| Cash in Hand & At Bank | 97,565 | 25,344 |
| Shop Stock | 11,220 | 9,323 |
| Prepayments | 1,600 | 1,600 |
| | <u>110,385</u> | <u>36,267</u> |
| Less Current Liabilities: | | |
| Trade & Sundry Creditors | <u>3,960</u> | <u>3,600</u> |
| | <u>106,425</u> | <u>32,667</u> |
| | <u>197,738</u> | <u>131,137</u> |

Funded By:-

Finance and Reserves

| | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| Long Term Loan Lloyds Bank | 24,145 | 37,912 |
| Loan from Founding Trustee | - | 445 |
| Bounce-back Loan | 9,165 | 14,166 |
| Fund - Accumulated Surpluses Balance B/f | 78,614 | 71,852 |
| Surplus for Year | 85,814 | 6,762 |
| | <u>164,428</u> | <u>78,614</u> |
| | <u>197,738</u> | <u>131,137</u> |

We have prepared the above Balance Sheet as at 31st July 2024 and Income and Expenditure Account for the year to that date from the books and records kept by the Trustees and from information and explanations received. To the best of our knowledge and belief such accounts are in accordance therewith.

BLACKLER & CO

Chartered Accountants

The Barn Office

Tredivett Mill

Little Comfort

Launceston

Cornwall

PL15 9NA

Signed.....

Date.....

Approved by the Founding Trustee

Mrs L Bridges.....

Date.....

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Fixed Assets

| | Lease | Enclosures over 20 years | Equipment 20% R | Van 25% R | Total |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|---------|
| Total Costs Todate | 25,682 | 100,000 | 22,447 | 1,000 | 123,447 |
| Total Depreciation | - | 35,000 | 15,409 | 250 | 50,659 |
| Total Net Value at 31.07.24 | 25,682 | 65,000 | 7,038 | 750 | 98,470 |
| Depreciation for 2024 | - | 5,000 | 1,407 | 750 | 7,157 |
| Net Value Carried Forward | 25,682 | 60,000 | 5,631 | 0 | 91,313 |
| Net Value @ 31.07.2023 | 25,682 | 65,000 | 7,038 | 750 | 98,470 |

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Signed..... *A Blackler MBE FCA*
Date..... *8.5.25*

Approved by the Founding Trustee

Mrs L Bridges..... *[Signature]*
Date..... *10/5/25*