



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1/8/24  
Period end date

Period start date To 31/7/25

Charity name:Libertys Owl Raptor and Reptile Centre

Charity registration number:1168530

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To promote and advance education of public re conservation of British and worldwide birds of prey and reptiles. Care and rehabilitate injured wild birds.
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, private falconers and centres.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	I confirm the trustee's have given regard to the guidance given.

## Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
		We have a couple of long term volunteers who

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	have been instrumental in the rebuilding and upkeeping of the centre.
Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Continuation of the successful breeding of red listed vultures.</li> <li>-Further enclosures have been renovated and enlarged .</li> <li>-Educational displays to many new schools and offsite events, with improvements to educational resources provided for schools and visiting members of the public.</li> <li>-Continuing to produce new educational trails to inspire visiting children.</li> <li>-Promotion of the importance of bee keeping</li> <li>-Increased the number of owl boxes in the local area.</li> </ul>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Very good progress has been made into bringing the centre in line with the new zoo licencing standards (2027).
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

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### Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Total funds carried forward as of the 31st July were in the sum of £71,759
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Funds are held purely for the furtherance of the charities principal activity and the animals welfare. Continued improvement to the infrastructure of the centre.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£71,759
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Received through full paying customers as opposed to subsidised ticket prices.
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	No risks have been identified
Other		



Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	CIO adopted 1st August 2016
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charity incorporated organisation
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 trustee's remain as previously appointed

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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

Charity name	Liberty's Owl, Raptor and Reptile Centre
Other name the charity uses	LORRC

Registered charity number	1168530
Charity's principal address	Crow Lane Ringwood Hamshire BH24 3EA

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	Chairman		
2	Jayson Bridges	Vice Chairman		
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

Director name		

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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
Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)		

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)			
Full name(s)	Lynda Bridges		
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Managing Trustee/Chair		
Date	01/05/2026		



**LIBERTYS RAPTOR & REPTILE CENTRE**  
**CHARITY NO: 1168530**  
**INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED**  
**31ST JULY 2025**

	2025	2024
<b>Income</b>	<u>448,331</u>	<u>351,411</u>
	448,331	351,411
<b>Purchases for Shop</b>		
Stock B/F	11,220	9,323
Purchases	20,903	23,177
Less: Stocks	<u>11,130</u>	<u>11,220</u>
	20,993	21,280
<b>Direct Costs:</b>		
Veterinary Costs & Microchips	1,878	1,585
Animal Food	21,505	15,426
Wages	145,988	114,741
Uniforms	<u>746</u>	<u>1,586</u>
	170,117	133,338
<b>Gross profit</b>		196,793
<b>Promotional Costs:</b>		
Advertising	12,999	7,396
Motor Costs	<u>1,818</u>	<u>1,497</u>
	14,817	8,893
<b>Administration Costs:</b>		
Telephone	1,530	918
Stationery/Printing/Postage	53	1,012
I.T. Costs	-	110
National Federation of Small Businesses	<u>1,178</u>	<u>253</u>
	2,761	2,293
<b>Property Costs:</b>		
Waste, Cleaning & Pest Control	5,045	2,384
Heat & Light	15,252	13,723
Insurance	7,717	2,272
Rent etc	19,200	19,200
Repairs, Renewals & Maintenance	<u>78,764</u>	<u>43,951</u>
	125,978	81,530
<b>Professional Fees:</b>		
Accountancy	4,100	3,960
Consultancy/Legal	<u>130</u>	<u>1,072</u>
	4,230	5,032
<b>Financial Costs:</b>		
Credit Card (included in Bank Charges in 2024)	2,099	-
Bank Charges	984	3,287
Interest	<u>73</u>	<u>2,787</u>
	3,156	6,074
	<u>342,052</u>	<u>103,822</u>
Excess of Expenditure over Income before Depreciation	106,279	92,971
Less Depreciation Charge	<u>34,520</u>	<u>7,157</u>
Excess of Expenditure over Income after Depreciation	<u><u>71,759</u></u>	<u><u>85,814</u></u>



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BALANCE SHEET  
AS AT 31ST JULY 2025

	2025	2024
<b>Fixed Assets:</b>	82,793	91,313
<b>Current Assets:</b>		
Cash in Hand & At Bank	131,214	97,565
Shop Stock and Bird Stock £13,550	24,680	11,220
Prepayments	<u>1,600</u>	<u>1,600</u>
	157,494	110,385
<b>Less Current Liabilities:</b>		
Trade & Sundry Creditors	<u>4,100</u>	<u>3,960</u>
	153,394	106,425
	<u>236,187</u>	<u>197,738</u>

Funded By:-

Finance and Reserves		
Long Term Loan Lloyds Bank	-	24,145
Loan from Founding Trustee	-	-
Bounce-back Loan	-	9,165
Fund - Accumulated Surpluses Balance B/f	164,428	78,614
Surplus for Year	<u>71,759</u>	<u>85,814</u>
	236,187	164,428
	<u>236,187</u>	<u>197,738</u>

We have prepared the above Balance Sheet as at 31st July 2025 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.....*Ad Blackler MBE P.C.A*  
Date.....*10 April 2026*

Approved by the Founding Trustee

Mrs L Bridges.....*L Bridges*  
Date.....*15/4/26*

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**Fixed Assets**

	Lease	Enclosures over 20 years	Equipment 20% R	On Site Security Caravan	Total
Total Costs Todate	25,682	100,000	22,447		148,129
Additions				26,000	26,000
Total Depreciation	-	40,000	16,816	-	56,816
Total Net Value at 1.08.24	25,682	60,000	5,631	26,000	117,313
Depreciation for 2025	25682	5,000	1,238	2,600	34,520
Net Value Carried Forward	-	55,000	4,393	23,400	82,793
Net Value @ 31.07.2024	25,682	60,000	5,681	0	91,313

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**Trustees Report for the Year to 31st July 2025**

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 Jagers

After many years of hand to mouth management the Charity has continued to be financially stable, due not only to long hard work by staff and the Trustees but most fortunately due to continuing major legacies received by the Trust from the same Estate as last year

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

**Objectives:**

The objectives of the Trust remain constant, 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 £71,759 compared with £85,814 for 2024, this was mainly due to continued legacies from the same source as last year in the sum of £190,000

This has allowed a continued increase in maintenance. £78,764 this year compared with £43,951 last year. It was also considered wise to write off original lease costs of £25,682

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


		2024	2025
		£	£
Long Term Loan	Repaid	37,912	-
Bounce Back Loan	Repaid October 2024	14,166	-

Both were repaid from the legacy.

A residential caravan was purchased for our on-site security at a cost of £26,000

The Accumulated Fund has increased to £164,428 from £236,187

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.

  
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Mrs L. Bridges  
Founding Trustee