



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st January 2021
date

Period start

To 31st December 2021

Period end date

Charity name: Box Community Wood

Charity registration number: 1169429

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	1. To promote the conservation, protection and improvement of the natural environment at Box Wood for the public benefit; and 2. To advance the education of the public in the conservation, protection and improvement of the natural environment. Nothing in this constitution shall authorise an application of the property of the CIO for purposes which are not charitable.
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	• Raised funds locally in order to purchase Box Wood • continued to monitor management arrangement and lease with Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust (GWT) • Carried on a woodland management programme under the direction of GWT. Box Community Wood has complied with its duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by The Charities Commission in exercising its powers and duties.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have paid due regard to all guidance received from the Charity Commission relating to public benefit

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	n/a
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	n/a
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	n/a
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	During this period of operations Box Community Wood has: • Continued a programme of woodland management under the direction of GWT • Removed old, damaged or unnecessary fencing and gates • Cleared scrub, dead brush and invasive non-indigenous species from the wood • Widened and cleared paths and rights-of-way through the Wood • installed or repaired gates, fencing and kissing gates at the entrances • Streams have been cleared and a 'leaky dam' created to manage rainwater passing into the wood after heavy storms • old stiles have been replaced, where appropriate, with robust kissing gates for easier and safer access • An historic gateway has been restored and access cleared • General measures to facilitate easy and safe access to the Wood have been put in place • opportunities to encourage and support indigenous wildlife are taken wherever possible

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	n/a
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	n/a
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	BCW has maintained a stable and positive financial position, with net deficit of only £428 and reserves of £13,673.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	BCW retains a modest cash reserve against any future management expenses that may be incurred. A proportion of this has been invested in an accessible interest-bearing account in the short term, and the Reserves policy will continue to be monitored at the discretion of the trustees.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£12,462
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	No known concerns

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	Occasional public donations, bank interest and wayleave payments.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	n/a
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	BCW leases the woodland to Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust, which takes responsibility for maintenance and insurance including public liability. BCW would therefore need to find an alternative lessee should GWT desist.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution document
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	Trustees are appointed by Box Village Society (4) and the Novalis Trust (1)

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	Familiarization with the CIO Constitution and general guidance for charity trustees issued by the Charity Commission.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The charity has five trustees from whom a chair, treasurer and secretary are chosen by agreement with the other trustees
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Box Wood is leased out to Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust, which takes total management responsibility including safety, maintenance and the organising of volunteer work parties.
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	BOX COMMUNITY WOOD
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1169429
Charity's principal address	1 Baycroft Box Stroud Gloucestershire GL6 9HH

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	Stephen Hemmings	Chair	Whole year	Box Village Society
2	Beris Hanks		Whole year	Box Village Society
3	Thomas Pentzek		Whole year	Novalis Trust
4	Martin Smith	Secretary	Whole year	Box Village Society
5	Roger Ogle	Treasurer	Whole year	Box Village Society

Corporate trustees - names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

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	None
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	

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

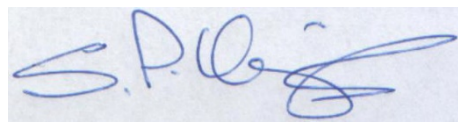
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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Stephen Philip Hemmings

Roger Anthony Ogle

**Position (eg
Secretary, Chair, etc)**

Chair

Treasurer

Date

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1st January 2021 to 31

	DATE	CASH AT
		£
		<u>Current Account</u>
Opening Balances	01/01/2021	1775.99
Insurance		-402.36
Wayleave Payment		
Annual Brochure Printing		-56.60
Donations (4)		600.00
Gift Aid		366.29
2 Benches		-1042.87
Miscellaneous		-30.40
Bank Interest		
Closing Balances	12/31/2021	1210.05
Total Income		
Total Expenditure		
Net Deficit for year (Income less expenditure)		

VOOD - FINANCIAL SUMMARY

1st December 2021

BANK	INCOME		
£	£	£	£
<u>Reserve Account</u>	<u>Donations</u>	<u>Misc. Income</u>	<u>Bank Interest</u>
12325.37			
61.17		61.17	
50.00	650.00		
	366.29		
26.33			26.33
12462.87			
	1016.29	61.17	26.33
		1103.79	
		-1532.23	
		-428.44	

EXPENDITURE	
£ <u>Improvements</u>	£ <u>Miscell.</u>
	-402.36
	-56.60
-1042.87	
	-30.40
-1042.87	-489.36