



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	06	April	2020		05	April	2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Bewnans Kernow

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1170991

Charity's principal address

62 Morrab Road

Penzance

Cornwall

Postcode

TR18 6EL

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	Peter Sheldon	Chairman (<i>from 12th November 2019</i>) Vice Chair (<i>to 12th November 2019</i>)		Board of Trustees
2	Jane Howells	Director (<i>from 12th November 2019</i>) Chairman (<i>to 12th November 2019</i>)		Board of Trustees
3	Len Sheppard	Vice Chair (<i>from 12th November 2019</i>)	Appointed 29 th August 2019	Board of Trustees
4	Angela Angove	Secretary		Board of Trustees
5	Ian Summers	Treasurer		Board of Trustees
6	Christian Denley	Education Officer		Board of Trustees
7	Mike Cawley			Board of Trustees
8	Dan Rogerson		Resigned 26 th November 2020	Board of Trustees
9	Helen Rawe			Board of Trustees

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
None	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected by the Board of Trustees and confirmed at the AGM

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Induction and Training of Trustees:

New Trustees are provided with a copy of the Charity Commission guidance 'The Essential Trustee' and with relevant Bownans Kernow documents. Tailored induction training is provided as required.

Organisational Structure:

Currently there are 8 Trustees. Trustees meet a minimum of four times a year and are responsible for the strategic direction, policies and the day to day running of the charity.

Risk Management:

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed. In particular those related to the operations and finances of the charity and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate our exposure to the major risks.

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The charitable objects of Bewnans Kernow are:

- For the public benefit, to advance education, development, appreciation, preservation, research and recording of all aspects of indigenous Cornish history, arts heritage and culture.
- To promote equality and diversity for the public benefit by advancing education and raising awareness, promoting activities to foster understanding between peoples from diverse backgrounds, conducting and commissioning research on equality and diversity issues and publishing the results to the public with particular focus on matters affecting the people of Cornwall.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Bewnans Kernow undertakes activities to:

- Advance the education, development, appreciation, preservation, research, recording of and participation in indigenous Cornish culture and heritage.
- Develop capacity and skills of Cornish cultural organisations.
- Improve the well-being of, and promote equality and diversity for, members of the Cornish national minority and others.

In carrying out these activities, the Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Cornish Heritage in Penzance

Bewnans Kernow's primary work during 2020-21 was on preparations to open Cornish Heritage in Penzance, a new venue to share, celebrate and research Cornish history and culture which will be established in the former Penzance public library building. However, the year was a year of two contrasting parts, in large part due to Covid-19. During the first part of the reporting period, the pandemic and associated lockdowns meant all work had to be desk-based and as a result, Bewnans Kernow's focus during spring, summer and autumn of 2020 was therefore on bid-writing. During the second part of 2020-21, Bewnans Kernow was able to put in place a large part of the foundational work needed to launch Cornish Heritage in Penzance.

Our key aims in delivering the project were to:

- increase the resilience of Bewnans Kernow, especially in the face of the covid situation,
- increase our capacity to develop a venue in Penzance which will celebrate, share, research and develop Cornish history, culture and heritage
- lay the foundations and purchase core equipment for the centre
- accelerate the sustainability of the centre.

The work undertaken during the project included:

- Ongoing liaison work with Truro and Penwith College, the owners of the building.
- Purchase of a large amount of core equipment for the new centre.
- Purchase of small library of 200 Cornish history books.
- Production of a sound Business Plan to underpin the development of Cornish Heritage in Penzance as well as to identify the changes to the operating environment caused by the pandemic.
- Development of a Heritage Plan to guide us during our first year.
- Writing a suite of policies, both organisational and centre specific.
- Working with an IT / AV consultant to plan the interpretive possibilities we can offer through audio visual equipment..
- Production of Risk assessments for the project.
- Writing a Communications strategy.
- Research work for teaching and interpretive materials.
- Further bid writing and research to inform future bids.
- Branding work to develop a logo and other visual identifiers.

Impact of Covid-19

The pandemic had a marked impact on Bewnans Kernow during the first part of the year as the plans to lease part of Penzance library building

were delayed and Trustees had to conduct meetings online instead of in person. Delivery of the 'Launching Cornish Heritage in Penzance' project had to be more intensive than planned due to the emergency nature of the funding, but the delivery team adjusted accordingly. A whole suite of new plans was written to forecast how we will operate in the new environment, and to prepare us, especially in our dealings with the public.

New website

Bewnans Kernow launched a new organisational website details about the aims of the charity, its work, and its history.

Consultation

Bewnans Kernow continued to work in association with Cornish Quest on consulting the Cornish cultural sector. In August 2020, we organised a Creative Conversation at Gwennap Pit on behalf of Cornwall Council culture team and produced a report on our findings to feed into the developing Creative Manifesto (Cornwall Council culture strategy).

Bewnans Kernow submitted a report on ethnic disparities and the Cornish to a Cabinet Office review.

Representation on other organisations

Bewnans Kernow is a member of the Heritage Kernow Board and is represented on the Committee of Madron History Group.

In summary, 2020-21 was a year in which solid foundations were laid for Cornish Heritage in Penzance and Trustees are now at a point where Bewnans Kernow is ready to lease the building, install equipment, involve the public and deliver projects.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Financial review:

At the start of the financial year, Bewnans Kernow had a cash balance of £14,814 brought forward. During the year, the organisation received an instalment of a restricted grant for the Cornish History and Culture Centre in Penzance amounting to £42,160. Payments totalling £33,763 were made during the year and cash balances at the year-end were £23,171 of which £16,007 were restricted funds.

Level of reserves:

The trustees have considered the reserves of the charity. The longer-term policy is to aim to hold unrestricted reserves amounting to 6-months of anticipated expenditure. The Trustees consider that the balance on 5th April 2021 is sufficient to help sustain the operations of the charity over the following year.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The successful application to the Culture Recovery Fund from the Heritage Fund made a very significant difference to the ability to proceed with the Cornish Heritage in Penzance project.

Bewnans Kernow also successfully applied to the #iwill fund administered by Cornwall Community Foundation to run 'Hands on Heritage', a project to involve young people with Cornish heritage and Cornish identity. This grant was received, and the project will be delivered, in 2021-22.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	J J Howells	
Full name(s)	Jennifer Jane Howells	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Director Trustee	
Date	6 th July 2021	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name	
Bewnans Kernow	1170991

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 6th April 2020	To	Period end date 5th April 2021
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Grant and other funding		42,120	-	42,120	13,050
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	-	42,120	-	42,120	13,050
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	42,120	-	42,120	13,050
A3 Payments					
Project management and support		15,131	-	15,131	83
Equipment and materials		2,625	-	2,625	400
Property and related costs	-	1,846	-	1,846	-
IT Support	-	2,823	-	2,823	-
Other project costs	-	1,496	-	1,496	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	23,921	-	23,921	483
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Assets purchased	-	9,842	-	9,842	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	9,842	-	9,842	-
Total payments	-	33,763	-	33,763	483
Net of receipts/(payments)	-	8,357	-	8,357	12,567
A5 Transfers between funds	5,250	- 5,250	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,914	12,900	-	14,814	2,247
Cash funds this year end	7,164	16,007	-	23,171	14,814

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank account	7,164	16,007	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	7,164	16,007	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Furniture	Penzance Heritage		-
	ITC and related items	Penzance Heritage		-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Project Management and Support	Penzance Heritage		
	Equipment purchases payable	Penzance Heritage		
	Consultancy fees payable	Penzance Heritage		
	Asset purchases payable	Penzance Heritage	-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	J J Howells	Jennifer Jane Howells	6th July 2021	



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Bewnans Kernow

**On accounts for the year
ended**

5th April 2021

**Charity no
(if any)** 1170991

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date: 6th July 2021

Name:

Peter Norman

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qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

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