



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From

Period start date

06

April

2022

To

Period end date

05

April

2023

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		Board of Trustees
2	Jane Howells	Director		Board of Trustees
3	Len Sheppard	Vice Chair		Board of Trustees
4	Angela Angove	Secretary		Board of Trustees
5	Christian Denley	Education Officer		Board of Trustees
	Mike Cawley			Board of Trustees
6	Helen Rawe			Board of Trustees
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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 Bewnans Kernow documents. Tailored induction training is provided as required.

Organisational Structure:

Currently there are 7 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 - particularly 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.

Section C

Objectives and activities

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**Constitution**

A key development during this year was the change in the Bewnans Kernow constitution from an Association model Charitable Incorporated Organisation to a Foundation model Charitable Incorporated Organisation. Trustees called an Extraordinary General meeting of former associate organisations who fully supported the proposals. The reason for this was to enable Bewnans Kernow to continue to meet its charitable objects and to accommodate the evolution of Bewnans Kernow over time from being a support organisation for a partnership of Cornish cultural organisations to an independent charity ready to take on the lease of a building to develop into a heritage venue.

Cornish Heritage in Penzance

Bewnans Kernow's primary work during 2022-23 was on preparations to open 'Cornish Heritage in Penzance', a new venue to share, celebrate and research Cornish history and culture to be established in the former Penzance public library building.

Further unexpected restoration work needed at the building, which is now listed, resulted in a delay to moving into the venue. In autumn 2022 Bewnans Kernow was able to begin using the building and over Winter 2022/23 and the following Spring Trustees worked to decorate and equip the property in advance of the first Open Days in May 2023. A new logo was commissioned and social media accounts opened.

Grants

In January 2023 Bewnans Kernow was awarded a grant of £2,700 by the Penwith Landscape Partnership.

Representation on other organisations

Bewnans Kernow continues to be involved with heritage work at a strategic level and is a member of the Cornwall Council Heritage Kernow Board. At a local level it is a member of the Madron History Group Committee.

Summary

In summary, by the end of the year in April 2023 Bewnans Kernow had fully prepared the part of the former Penzance public library building being leased, had secured further funding and had begun preparing for and publicising the public Open Days held in May 2023.

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 ££28,279 brought forward. During the year, the organisation received project funding of a restricted grant from the Penwith Landscape Partnership amounting to £2,700 and a refund of £96. Payments totalling £4,503 were made during the year and cash balances at the year-end were £26,572 of which £18,541 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 2023 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.

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Bewnans Kernow successfully applied to the Penwith Landscape Partnership for funding to run a heritage project on the life and work of Dr William.Borlase

The main part of the expenditure was in preparing the rooms in order to open to the public.

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 and Trustee

Date

01.02.2024



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 2022

To

Period end date
5th April 2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Grant and other funding		2,700	-		9,680
Refund	-	96.27	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	-	2,796.27	-	2,796.	9,680
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	2,796.27	-	2,796.27	9,680
A3 Payments					
Project management and support		1,637.50	-		2,295
Equipment and materials		2,137.92	-		23
Property and related costs	-	-	-		60
IT Support	-	-	-	-	-
Other project costs	-	619.17	-		1,330
Other	-	108.70	-		167
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	4,503.29	-	4,503	3,829
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Assets purchased	-		-		743
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-		-		743
Total payments			-	4,503	4,572
Net of receipts/(payments)		2,796			5,108
A5 Transfers between funds			-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end			-		23,171
Cash funds this year end	8,031	18,541		26,572	28,279

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank account	8,031	18,541	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	8,031	18,541	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	to nearest £ -	to nearest £ -	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)
	Kitchen equipment, books and furniture	Penzance Heritage		-
				-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

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