



ANNUAL TRUSTEE REPORT

2020 – 2021

CHARITY NAME: Western Beacons Mountain Rescue Team

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 1180863

REGISTERED OFFICE: Western Beacons Mountain Rescue Team's registered address is Rear of, Adams Ave, Bryncethin, Bridgend CF32 9RX.

All communication should be directed to the Charities Secretary.

TRUSTEES:

Mr Mark Songhurst- Chairman

Mr Nicholas McAllister - Secretary

Mr Robert Wallis – Treasurer

Mr Mark Lewis

Mr Gareth Watson

Mr Micheal Jeffery

Mr Craig Parkinson Resigned 09/03/2021

Mr Alex Wilson-Evans Resigned 30/03/2021

TRUSTEES REPORT:

The trustees present their report for the year ending March 2021, financial statements for the year 2020- 2021 have been provided in accordance with the legal requirements.

WRITTEN CONSTITUTION

The charity is governed by its overarching constitution of the CIO, this was adopted on 27th November 2018.

DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT OF THE CIO.

The objects of the CIO are

To assist in the relieving of suffering and distress, amongst persons endangered by accidents and natural hazards in the South and Mid Wales geographical area, but also without geographical limitation. To provide adequate arrangements for the secure and efficient search and rescue of any person or persons so endangered.

We are volunteers. On call every day, of every month, of every year. Whatever the time, day or night. Whatever the weather. Saving lives.

DETAILS OF PERSONS OR BODIES ENTITLED TO APPOINT CHARITY TRUSTEES AND METHOD OF APPOINTMENT

Within the terms of the Constitution the Trustees are appointed by the membership of the Charity, this occurs at each Annual General Meeting and they hold office until the following AGM. The trustees must be members of the charity and can be up to 12 in number. Trustees are to stand down at the end of each year, They can stand for a maximum of 5 years.

FINANCIAL: GENERAL RESERVES

The Charity does not have a formal policy for the level of reserves held, however it has been practiced over many years to ensure a minimum of £10,000 is kept in reserve as this is the estimated cost of running the charity over a period of 12 months.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Trustees are satisfied with the financial position of the charity.

Grant Making:

During the last financial year, the Charity made no grants to any other charitable organisations.

DEVELOPMENT, ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

During this year the team had 57 incidents, working as an individual team and alongside other mountain rescue teams the Coastguard and statutory emergency services. The Covid pandemic has had an impact upon the number of call outs received by the team, several months of the year the country was in lock down. Training was also scaled back during the initial months of the pandemic.

The greatest impact upon the team from Covid was the lack of fundraising

opportunities and this is reflected in our income from donations.

We have entered into a 3 year partnership with Helly Hansen to develop professional grade clothing for search and rescue teams. This will see every team member being supplied with a base layer, insulation layer and waterproof outer layer of clothing.

We have agreed to support the Adventure Smart program to educate the users of the great outdoors and hopefully reduce the amount of call outs caused by inexperience or bad decision making.

We now have 33 trained team members on the call out list, with a further 10 members in training. We have an additional 10 support members who assist with fundraising and administration. The trustees remain proud and confident that we are an effective and cohesive team.

We again have worked very closely with the other teams in the area and the trustees are confident that our working relationships with our colleagues in neighbouring teams remain excellent.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The team has looked at expanding its training facilities to allow for further growth. Vehicles remain our biggest asset and we replaced one of our 4x4 vehicles this year. We are planning for the next refurbishment or replacement project as this will become paramount in the next year.

VOLUNTEERS AND THEIR FAMILIES

The trustees would like to acknowledge and thank all the members for their hard work and commitment this year, special thanks go to the exec, the team officers and the party leaders for making sure things happen as and when they are supposed to. It is also important to recognise the families of our volunteers who support the team by supporting members to undertake the training and callouts throughout the year.

PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

The Trustees confirm they have complied with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to the guidance published by the Charity Commission including public benefit guidance.

Approved by the Trustees on the and signed on their behalf by:

Mr M Songhurst

Accounts for 2020 - 2021

Western Beacons Mountain Rescue Team

Charity no 1180863

Financial Activities

April 2020 to March 2021

FY20/21

Income

Interest	£ 0.29
Donations and Grants	£75,091.33
Total Income	£75,091.62

Expenditure

Base	-£ 1,395.67
Utilities	-£
Vehicles	-£ 34,904.16
Fuel	-£ 52.23
Equipment	-£ 8,981.17
Comms	-£ 6,481.13
Insurance	-£ 1,605.57
Training	-£ 1,162.20
Other	-£ 197.00
Total	-£ 54,779.13
Net Income / (Expenditure)	£ 20,312.49

Balance Sheet

Total Fixed Asset

Cash at bank and in hand

Current Account	£19,163.80
Savings Account	£1,148.69
Total Cash at bank and in hand	£20,312.49

Net Current Assets	£20,312.49
Creditors	£ -
Net Current Assets/ (liabilities)	£20,312.49
Total Net Assets (Liabilities)	£20,312.49

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Western Beacons Mountain Rescue Team

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2021

Charity no
(if any)

1180863

Set out on pages

3 and 4

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

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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

28 January 2022

Name:

Robert Denis Samuel Jones

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

ACMA (Retired)

Address:

64 Austin Avenue

Porthcawl

CF36 5RS

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

01-Apr-20


To

31-Mar-21

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					
Donations	40,091	-	-	40,091	-
Donation / transfer from Western Beacons Mountain Search and Rescue Team	35,000	-	-	35,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	75,091	-	-	75,091	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	75,091	-	-	75,091	-
A3 Payments					
Vehicles	34,904	-	-	34,904	-
Equipment	8,981	-	-	8,981	-
Communications	6,481	-	-	6,481	-
Insurance	1,606	-	-	1,606	-
Base	1,396	-	-	1,396	-
Training	1,162	-	-	1,162	-
Fuel	52	-	-	52	-
Other	197	-	-	197	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	54,779	-	-	54,779	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	54,779	-	-	54,779	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	20,312	-	-	20,312	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	20,312	-	-	20,312	-

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	Current account	19,164	-	-
	Deposit account	1,148	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	20,312	-	-
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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
			ROBERT WALLIS	28/01/2022