

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date	Period end date
From	1 January 2020	To 31 December 2020

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name **Ludlow & District Beekeepers' Association**

Other names charity is known by **None**

Registered charity number (if any) **1181576**

Charity's principal address **THE ELMS, COVERT LANE**

CHELMARSH

BRIDGNORTH

Postcode

WV16 6BH

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	ROY MARCUS HOWELLS	Chair		Membership
2	PAUL ANDREW LOGAN	Treasurer		Membership
3	GILLIAN SILVERWOOD MACLEAN	Secretary		Membership
4	MICHAEL JOHN SAUNDERS			Membership
5	SARAH JANE DIXON			Membership
6	CLIFFORD DENNIS BLOOMFIELD			Membership
7	DR MARY JANE ROSS CARSTAIRS			Membership
8	IAN GEOFFREY FAIRGRIEVE MACKAY			Membership
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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

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 adopted on 23 February 2019
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected from Membership

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.

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

THE OBJECTIVES OF THE LUDLOW & DISTRICT BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION ARE TO ADVANCE AND PROMOTE THE CRAFT OF BEEKEEPING AND GOOD BEEKEEPING PRACTICES AND TO RAISE AWARENESS AND EDUCATE THE GENERAL PUBLIC ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF BEES AND BEEKEEPING TO THE ENVIRONMENT. THE ASSOCIATION PROVIDES TRAINING TO BEEKEEPERS. MEMBERS LIVE IN AND AROUND THE LUDLOW AREA.

In accordance with the guidance issued by the Charity Commission with regard to public benefit, the trustees aim to make the most of opportunities to educate and inform the public on the importance of honey bees and of the craft of beekeeping when planning the annual programme of activities of the association.

These activities include:

- Provision of information, educational material and advice to members of the public about the importance of honey bees in the environment;
- Provision of information and advice to anyone considering taking up the craft of beekeeping including the benefits of membership of a beekeeping association and the training needed to be a beekeeper;
- Regular attendance at agricultural shows, village fetes, food festivals and other public events in the local area throughout the year to promote the craft of beekeeping and raise awareness of the importance of pollinators in the environment. This usually includes displaying at least one observation hive of live bees at each event. Products of the hive are also exhibited.
- Beekeeper training - a beginners' course in beekeeping is run every year.
- Answer enquiries from members of the public made via the Associations' web site.
- Giving talks to groups eg WI, U3A, schools etc interested in learning about the importance of honey bees in the environment and the role of beekeepers in supporting honey bees.
- In addition the charity maintains and provides contact details of those of its members willing to help recover swarms of honey bees reported by members of the public, free of charge.
- The charity also has an Asian Hornet Action Team, one of a number of teams across the country who are working with the NBU and the BBKA in the national effort to monitor and prevent the establishment of this non-native invasive species.

In carrying out the above activities the Trustees of the Association believe they are achieving the charitable aims and delivering tangible benefit to the general public.

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)

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.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Membership

Membership numbers 2020: 138 members

Training and education

Beginners' course 2020/2021 had 24 applicants including two junior students. Two theory sessions for the 2019/2020 cohort were held with all further instruction suspended due to Covid restrictions on social distancing and public gatherings. In September 2020, a small number of practical sessions were held at the Association Apiary to aid beginners in making final winter preparations for their colonies. Appropriate social distancing guidelines were observed at all times.

A programme of eight Zoom based theory sessions was set up for the 2020/2021 intake of beginners and the previous years' beginners to be held in the early months of 2021. A total of 37 beginners signed up for the course.

BBKA Module examinations were cancelled in 2020 with entries deferred to 2021.

Winter talks programme via Zoom

A full programme of talks to members by beekeeping experts was arranged for the months November 2020 to April 2021.

Association Apiary Management

During the past year, we have further developed the land to provide for a 'wildflower meadow' which will be sowed in the Autumn of 2021.

Further equipment has been acquired to enhance the two established apiaries and thus improve the facility for both new beekeepers and our Bee Improvement apiary.

A storage shed has been constructed which now safely houses beekeeping equipment and provides a workshop for the repair, construction and provision of this equipment.

Asian Hornet

Members of the L&DBKA AHAT team attended a conference hosted by the BBKA in February 2020 to learn more about this non-native invasive species. In September 2020 as part of the BBKA's 'Asian Hornet week' members of the L&DBKA AHAT team provided information and answered question from members of the public from a stall in the Ludlow Market to raise awareness of the threat of Asian Hornets to honey bee populations.

Due to Covid restrictions there were no other public events during the year.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity does not have a policy on reserves.

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.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

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

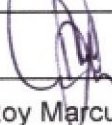
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Full name(s)

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Date

	
Roy Marcus Howells	
Chair	
25. 6. 2021	

LUDLOW & DISTRICT BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION

CHARITY NUMBER 1181576

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS 2020

RECEIPTS

Direct charity receipts

Members subscriptions 2020	£3,362
Members subscriptions 2021	£1,377
Bee Disease Insurance additional premium 2020	£236
Bee Disease Insurance additional premium 2021	£111
Donations	£315
Gift Aid	£828
Raffles	£163
BeeCraft subscriptions (2020)	£537
BeeCraft subscriptions (2021)	£248
Miscellaneous	£19
Subtotal	£7,197

Activities receipts

Honey sales	£852
Commission on honey sales at shows	
Sales of bulk sugar	£121
Training course fees (for 2020)	£1,038
Training course fees (for 2021)	£472
Subtotal	£2,483

Additional Receipts

Sales of unused assets	£21
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Total Receipts

£9,701

PAYMENTS

Direct charity payments

BBKA Capitation fees	£2,747
Bee Disease insurance premium	£581
BeeCraft Subscriptions	£646
Stationary, office	£14
Website & IT	£185
BIG	
Insurance	£101
Miscellaneous	£64
Subtotal	£4,338

Activity and asset payments

Association Apiary	£1,008
AA Consumables	£722
Hall Hire	£110
Equipment purchase	£317
Show costs/consumables	£408

Talk fees & Travel	£150
Training	£514
Refreshments/social event	£39
Subtotal	<u>£3,268</u>

TOTAL PAYMENTS	<u><u>£7,606</u></u>
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NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS	<u><u>£2,095</u></u>
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ASSETS

Bank Account

Opening balance	£5,721
Net Receipts/Payments	£2,095
Closing Balance	<u><u>£7,816</u></u>

Petty cash

Opening balance	£290
Closing Balance	<u><u>£290</u></u>

Material Assets

Association Apiary building including solar panel
& battery off grid instillation
Teaching Apiary: hives & equipment
Bee improvement Apiary: hives & equipment
Lab Equipment including microscopes
Computer TV & projector equipment for
presentations

Notes

Ludlow & District Beekeepers' Association a CIO charity No. 1181576 was created in 2019 to replace charity 1071060 of the same name. This charity 1071060 closed in 2019 with the transfer of all assets including apiaries, building, equipment and cash to this new charity

Receipts and payments accounts approved 07/05/21

Signed for and on behalf of the trustees


Trustee - Treasurer

P.A. LOGAN