

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1	January	2022		31	December	2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Ludlow & District Beekeepers' Association

Other names charity is known by L&DBKA

Registered charity number (if any) 1181576

Charity's principal address Hillfoot House

Lushcott

Easthope, Much Wenlock

Postcode

TF13 6EE

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	1 January 2022 – 23 June 2022	Membership
2	GILLIAN SILVERWOOD MACLEAN	*Secretary *Chair	*To 28 June 2022 *From 28 June 2022	Membership
3	MICHAEL JOHN SAUNDERS		1 January 2022 – 27 July 2022	Membership
4	CLIFFORD DENNIS BLOOMFIELD	Treasurer & Membership Secretary		Membership
5	DR MARY JANE ROSS CARSTAIRS			Membership
6	HAMISH CRAIG BARBER	*Secretary	*From 28 June 2022	Membership
7	JONATHAN FILDES		From 23 June 2022	Membership
8	CLIVE HOLDER		23 June 2022 – 7 November 2022	Membership
9	ALAN JENYON		From 20 October 2022	Co-opted by Trustees
10	SUSAN HAYDAY		From 22 November 2022	Co-opted by 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

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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Section C Objectives and activities

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 and requests for assistance 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 2022: 168 members

Training and education

Beginners' course 2022 numbers: 29 students.

Two members of the Association sat and passed a total of four BBKA Module examinations during the year.

Winter talks and Apiary Meetings programme

With Covid restrictions lifted a full programme of talks and apiary meetings was held throughout the year with the aim of informing and educating members on beekeeping issues.

Asian Hornet

The Asian Hornet Action Team continued to respond to queries and reports of potential sightings of this non-native invasive species. There were no confirmed sightings in our area.

Shows and Events

With Covid restrictions lifted a full programme of attendance at public shows and events was reinstated and included:

Burwarton Show (attendance 20,000)

Tenbury Countryside Show

Clun Carnival

Ludlow Food Festival (attendance 15,000)

Tenbury Applefest (attendance 1,400)

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.

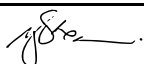
Section F Other optional information

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)

Gillian Silverwood Maclean

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

5 May 2023

LUDLOW & DISTRICT BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION
CHARITY NUMBER 1181576
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS 2022

RECEIPTS

Direct charity receipts	
Members subscriptions 2021	5,269.50
Bee Disease Insurance additional premium 2021	702.30
Donations	151.45
Raffles	82.75
BeeCraft subscriptions (2021)	610.00
Miscellaneous	410.50
Interest received	8.34
Subtotal	<u>7,234.84</u>

Activities receipts	
Honey sales	3,104.10
Training course fees (for 2021)	1,164.00
Subtotal	<u>4,268.10</u>

Total Receipts	<u><u>11,502.94</u></u>
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PAYMENTS

Direct charity payments	
BBKA Capitation fees	3,401.00
Bee Disease insurance premium	677.50
BeeCraft Subscriptions	490.00
Insurance	404.20
Miscellaneous	268.88
Subtotal	<u>5,241.58</u>

Activity and asset payments	
Capital purchases	639.98
Honey Sales	383.78
Association Apiary	1,183.15
AA Consumables	53.26
Hall Hire	158.00
Show costs/consumables	145.00
Talk fees & Travel	349.00
Training	1,258.87
Refreshments/social event	1,367.02
Subtotal	<u>5,538.06</u>

TOTAL PAYMENTS	<u><u>10,779.64</u></u>
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NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS	<u><u>723.30</u></u>
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ASSETS

Bank Account	
Opening balance	9,914.86
Net Receipts/Payments	723.30
Closing Balance	<u><u>10,638.16</u></u>

Petty cash

Opening balance	290.00
Closing Balance	290.00

Material Assets
 Association Apiary building including solar panel & battery off grid installation
 Marquees x 2 for external events, tables etc.
 Teaching Apiary: hives & equipment
 Bee improvement Apiary: hives & equipment
 Lab Equipment including microscopes
 Computer TV & projector equipment for presentations