



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date	
01	01	2022	31
From		To	
		12 2022	

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

New Milton Hedgehog Rescue

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1190281

Charity's principal address

9 Saulfland Drive

Highcliffe

Dorset

Postcode

BH23 4QN

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	Gillian Bowers	Chair		
2	Susan Chalkey			
3	Karen Robinson	Secretary		
4	Shirley Daniel			
5	Anne Bassett	Treasurer		
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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
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by existing Trustees

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

To help the conservation and preservation of the wild hedgehog species by providing rescue, care and rehabilitation for sick, injured or orphaned hedgehogs, with the aim of releasing them back to the wild

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)

When receiving sick, injured or orphaned hedgehogs from the public we also help and advise them with regard to hedgehog welfare. We offer telephone advice on how best to help and support their garden visitors and will advise if there is a necessity for experienced aid at a rescue or if there is a need for veterinary attention to relieve suffering. In cases where the finder is unable to bring an injured, sick or orphaned hedgehog to our rescue, we will attend and collect.

The trustees followed the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when determining the objectives for the year and organising its activities which also includes 'public benefit, running a charity (PB20)

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

In 2022 we noticed a reduction in admissions compared to the Covid year of 2021. We admitted 520 sick/injured hedgehogs.

Of the 520 hedgehogs, 255 were released, 117 put to sleep and 148 passed away in rescue

The global price increase in medication and food meant we had to watch0 our cashflow. We did, and continue to review the outgoings and where possible substitute for cheaper alternatives whilst never compromising the care or welfare of the hogs.

Obviously we are not the only ones feeling the pinch and some of our long term donors have had to understandably, tighten their belts and reduce their monthly donations. We are also conscience that some local rescues have had to close due to lack of funding and volunteers and we constantly look to encourage new volunteers to ensure the rescue continues so that we can help endanged vulnerable hedgehogs.

All hedgehogs admitted to the rescue are still scanned for microchips as part of our admission procedures and prior to release will be microchipped if not already chipped. Enabling us to obtain previous treatment records and share data with other local rescues whom we work closely with.

We are still very fortunate to work with superbly professional and friendly local vet practices and we are extremely grateful for all their help and medical advise and interventions.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Sufficient funds are held in reserve to ensure that the rescue can continue to operate efficiently and effectively during periods of low monetary donations.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

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 Colleen Patricia Bowers	Anne Elizabeth Bassett
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	28 October 2023	