



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
From	01	01	2023	To	31	12	2023

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

Looking back on the 12 months since we last wrote our report our admission numbers have increased. This is due to a few positive and negative factors.

On the negative side were the closures and resource facilities of many of the local hedgehog rescues and so the area we now cover was increased as did our numbers.

On the positive side, members of the public are more aware of the need to get an injured/sick hedgehog help. Alongside our rescue activities we do provide a contact point for enquiries on how to best cater for hedgehogs in gardens etc.

In 2023 our final total admissions was 691. Of those 691 hedgehogs, 319 were released, 132 needed euthanasia and 240 passed away naturally in rescue.

The continued global price increase in medication and food meant we had to watch 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 constantly look to encourage new volunteers to ensure the rescue continues so that we can help endangered vulnerable hedgehogs.

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

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 advice 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

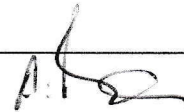
Section G

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

18 October 2024



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name	No (if any)
New Milton Hedgehog Rescue	1190281

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/01/2023	To	Period end date 31/12/2023
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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	12,464	-	-	12,464	8,617
Fund Raising	1,075	-	-	1,075	1,559
Other Receipts	38	-	-	38	284
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	13,577	-	-	13,577	10,460
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	13,577	-	-	13,577	10,460
A3 Payments					
Vet/Medication Costs	4,728	-	-	4,728	3,323
Food Costs	3,088	-	-	3,088	2,240
General Care Costs	1,942	-	-	1,942	1,607
Fundraising Costs	866	-	-	866	1,257
Other Costs	148	-	-	148	6
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	10,772	-	-	10,772	8,433
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Equipment (Intensive care units, recovery/holding pens)	461	-	-	461	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	461	-	-	461	-
Total payments	11,233	-	-	11,233	8,433
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,344	-	-	2,344	2,027
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	7,335	-	-	7,335	5,308
Cash funds this year end	9,679	-	-	9,679	7,335

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	Bank Account	6,626	-	-
	Deposit Account	3,051	-	-
	Cash	2	-	-
	Total cash funds	9,679	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets				
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use				
	3 x Electric suction pumps	Unrestricted	-	-
	5 x Life Support Cabinets	Unrestricted	-	-
	3 x Animal Intensive Care Units	Unrestricted	-	-
	3 x Microscope Apex Researcher	Unrestricted	-	-
	1 x Blink Camera System	Unrestricted	-	-
	2 x Intensive care units	Unrestricted	-	-
	2 x intensive care units	Unrestricted	-	-
	1 x Microscope Apex Researcher	Unrestricted	-	-
	1 x Electric suction pump	Unrestricted	-	-
B5 Liabilities				
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Gillian Bowers	18/10/2024	