

# THE WATERFOWL SANCTUARY

England & Wales · Charity number 1196417

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2021-11-05

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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**Website** <https://www.thewaterfowlsanctuary.co.uk>

## Activities

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**Objects:** TO PROMOTE HUMANE BEHAVIOUR TOWARDS WATERFOWL BY PROVIDING APPROPRIATE CARE, PROTECTION, TREATMENT AND SECURITY FOR WATERFOWL WHICH ARE IN NEED OF CARE AND ATTENTION BY REASON OF SICKNESS, MALTREATMENT, POOR CIRCUMSTANCES OR ILL USAGE AND TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC IN MATTERS PERTAINING TO WATERFOWL WELFARE IN GENERAL AND THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY AND SUFFERING AMONG WATERFOWL.

**Activities:** To promote humane behaviour towards waterfowl by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for waterfowl which are in need of care and attention by reason of sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances or ill usage and to educate the public in matters pertaining to waterfowl welfare in general and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among waterfowl.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Animals
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- Cambridgeshire

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£75,385	£76,607	-	-
2024-03-31	£63,891	£36,308	-	-
2023-03-31	£54,794	£52,261	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Graham Porter</b>	Chair	2021-11-05
Ann Porter		2021-11-05
LESLEY ANN CHRISTINE PERCIVAL		2021-11-05
RACHEL OLIVIA YOUNG		2021-11-05
Rebecca McCaffry		2021-11-05
STUART DUNSBY		2021-11-05

**THE WATERFOWL SANCTUARY**

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# Accounts

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**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## **Trustees' Annual Report**

for the period 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

Charity name: The Waterfowl Sanctuary

Charity registration number: 1196417

### **Objectives and Activities**

The objects of the CIO are to promote humane behaviour towards waterfowl by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for waterfowl which are in need of care and attention by reason of sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances or ill usage and to educate the public in matters pertaining to waterfowl welfare in general and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among waterfowl.

The Trustees are aware of their obligation to have regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

Our many volunteers play a hugely important role in the running of our charity by rescuing birds, assisting with patient treatment and caring for our residents. The Trustees would like to thank all our volunteers for their contribution to the success of our charity.

### **Achievements and Performance**

Another year has passed and the sanctuary has been busier than ever. Our reputation for excellence is spreading, and patients are being brought to us from further afield. Throughout the year, we cared for around 400 swans and over 700 ducklings.

During 2024-25 our focus remained on improving the facilities and infrastructure, perhaps most notably with the completion of a new enclosure area, 'Duckingham Palace'! Each year we care for several hundred ducklings – who mostly arrive with their mother and so separate enclosures are necessary to keep the families together prior to their release at 4 weeks of age. Duckingham Palace provides 10 rooms of 8ft x 4ft, each on a sloping concrete base to drainage with a watertight roof above allowing all ducklings to remain dry in all weathers. Increased rainfall in previous years had been a significant concern for us, and we are pleased to report that this new enclosure space has proved to be a great investment.

Another milestone in our improvement roadmap was the purchase and installation of our own x-ray machine within the surgery room. This machine has been frequently used not only for bone examination but also to aid diagnosis and treatment of the sad and common occurrence of hooks and metal projectiles found within water birds.

The hospital building has seen many improvements during this year. All windows and doors were replaced with double glazing which has greatly improved the insulation of the building in comparison to previous years. Oil filled radiators currently provide warmth during colder months, but the intention is to install hot/cold air conditioning which will have the added advantage of dehumidification.

Each year is a challenge, but thankfully with excellent volunteers, some staff on the payroll and a steadily growing amount of financial support from our donors we continue to grow in strength and capability. There is much potential at Clyde Farm for further capacity and infrastructure improvements and we will endeavour to continue our trajectory of development and growth in future years.

## **Financial Review**

### Financial Position

Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, the Charity generated donations of £74,325 in the period, an increase of over £10,500 on the previous year. These funds were used for the Charity's general operating costs (feed, medical supplies and fuel costs), as well as improvements to site infrastructure and facilities, as detailed in 'Achievements and Performance' above. The Charity invested £19,621 in these improvements throughout the year, drawing upon our reserves.

At the end of the period the charity's cash funds stand at £29,774, which will allow us to maintain operations over the next twelve months. We hope to continue the development of our hospital and accommodation facilities as funds allow.

During the year, Charity reserves were held in a 35-day notice high-interest bank account, generating over £1000 in interest. However, this approach was incompatible with the changing needs of the Charity. In order to navigate short-term cashflow issues, two interest-free loans of £2,000 (May) and £12,000 (August) were made to the Charity by the Chair of Trustees. This strategy enabled the Charity to purchase the x-ray machine without additional delay. The loan was repaid in full in September, and a more flexible banking arrangement has been put in place for the 2025/26 financial year.

The Trustees have no concerns regarding the financial stability of the Charity.

### Reserves Policy

The Trustees have considered Charity Commission guidance on reserves.

The Waterfowl Sanctuary aims to maintain a sufficient level of reserves to enable normal operating activities ensuring that the Charity is able to continue over a period of at least 3 months should a shortfall in income occur. It also takes account of potential risks and contingencies that may arise from time to time.

Therefore, the Trustees have set a minimum reserves level of £6,000 at the end of the financial period April 2024 – March 2025. The Trustees are satisfied that the year-end surplus of £29,774 will allow the maintenance of current operations over the coming year as well as providing the resources required for the future development of the hospital facility.

## Structure, Governance and Management

Type of governing document	Foundation model constitution
How is the charity constituted?	Charitable incorporated organisation (CIO)
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions	Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.


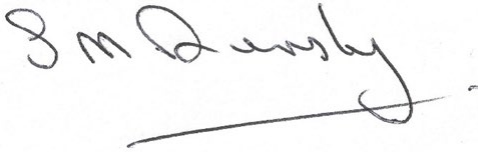
## Reference and Administrative details

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Registered charity number	1196417
Charity's principal address	Clyde Farm Silver Street Godmanchester PE29 2LF
Names of trustees who manage the charity	Graham Edward Porter (Chair) Rebecca Mary McCaffry Ann Margaret Porter Rachel Olivia Young Lesley Ann Christine Percival Stuart Dunsby  All trustees served throughout the accounting period.

## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Graham Porter	Stuart Dunsby
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Trustee

Date 27 January 2026



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name The Waterfowl Sanctuary	No (if any) 1196417
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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/04/2024	To	Period end date 31/03/2025
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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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Voluntary receipts	74,325	-	-	74,325	63,741
Interest received	1,060	-	-	1,060	150
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>75,385</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>75,385</b>	<b>63,891</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>75,385</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>75,385</b>	<b>63,891</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Cost of charitable activities	75,990	-	-	75,990	36,108
Cost of generating voluntary receipts	618	-	-	618	200
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>76,607</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>76,607</b>	<b>36,308</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>76,607</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>76,607</b>	<b>36,308</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 1,222</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 1,222</b>	<b>27,583</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>30,996</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30,996</b>	<b>3,413</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>29,774</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,774</b>	<b>30,996</b>

# 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash at hand	31	-	-
	Bank accounts	28,965	-	-
	Paypal balance	778	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>29,774</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

OK Unrestricted funds to nearest £ OK Restricted funds to nearest £ OK Endowment funds to nearest £

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Debtors	545	-	-
	Gift Aid outstanding (2024/25)	758	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Ponds, filters, bird housing, medical equipment.		-	-
			-	-
	X-ray machine (at cost)		-	10,524
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

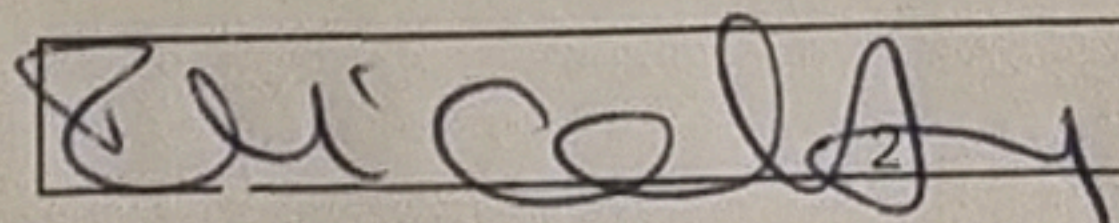
Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval



REBECCA MCCAFFERY

27/01/2026



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

The Waterfall Sanctuary

On accounts for the year ended

31 March 2025 Charity no (if any) 1196417

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 MARCH / YYYY.

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: P. Simons

Date: 27 JAN 26

Name: PETER SIMONS

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

Association of International Certified Professional Accountants

Address:

57 SPELDHURST ROAD LONDON W4 1BY

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.

1. I AM a friend and former colleague of Rebecca McCaffrey but I have no conflict of interest in inspecting these accounts.

2. The accounts are prepared on Receipts and Payments basis. The Trustees will want to maintain an understanding of the levels of operating expenses and the costs of improvements; or fixed costs and discretionary improvements / investment.

3. This charity is very dependant on the two principals so for it to be a on-going concern succession or contingency plans are needed.

**THE WATERFOWL SANCTUARY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1196417

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# Accounts

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**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## **Trustees' Annual Report**

for the period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024

Charity name: The Waterfowl Sanctuary

Charity registration number: 1196417

### **Objectives and Activities**

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The Trustees are aware of their obligation to have regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

Our many volunteers play a hugely important role in the running of our charity by rescuing birds, assisting with patient treatment and caring for our residents. The Trustees would like to thank all our volunteers for their contribution to the success of our charity.

### **Achievements and Performance**

During our second year as a registered charity we have seen further development in many areas, most notably the inclusion of our vet Gabriel Giol to the Waterfowl Sanctuary team, and our subsequent recognition as a veterinary practice.

Before becoming a registered charity we had always struggled to find a commercial veterinary practice that was willing, competent and able to operate on our patients. As we continued to become widely known throughout the UK rescue community it was our priority to find a knowledgeable veterinary surgeon to associate themselves with our organisation and thus progress us to this next important stage.

Gabriel Giol loved what he saw at the Waterfowl Sanctuary and so with his assistance we became registered with the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons as a veterinary practice and began purchasing the necessary equipment to allow him to work in our hospital building. It was a proud moment when the first surgery took place during September 2023, and a pivotal development in the growth of The Waterfowl Sanctuary. Working with Gabriel has allowed our team of dedicated volunteers to learn new skills and further develop their experience in working with our avian residents.

Our hospital facilities continued to expand during the year, with the completion of a second wet room in which several swans can comfortably be accommodated while under observation or undergoing treatment. Our treatment room is now fully functional, providing a clean and tidy place to assess and tend to patients. Partial progress on our operating theatre was made during the year, but in the meantime surgical operations are being capably performed in the treatment room.

Climate change has proven to be an increased challenge this year, and the unrelenting rain during formerly drier parts of the year has resulted in stressful and difficult times for the team during the busy duckling season. Multiple outdoor enclosures on grass have proved effective in the past as housing for orphans and families, but new approaches are being considered for next year to provide a better structure for protecting young and delicate birds from the elements.

Over 650 ducklings and goslings have been raised here throughout the year, mostly rescued from being trapped in gardens or enclosed areas and unable to walk free with their mother. Many were also brought in that had become separated from their families during their travels. Over 300 swans received our help in this period, and as a result our knowledge and experience has broadened significantly.

## **Financial Review**

### Financial Position

Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, the Charity generated donations of £63,741 in the period. These funds were used for the Charity's general operating costs (feed, medical supplies and fuel costs), and to improve site infrastructure and facilities, as detailed in 'Achievements and Performance' above.

At the end of the period the charity had generated a surplus of £30,996, which will allow us to maintain operations over the next 12 months as well as continuing the development of our hospital and accommodation facilities.

The Trustees have no concerns regarding the financial stability of the Charity.

### Reserves Policy

The Trustees have considered Charity Commission guidance on reserves.

The Waterfowl Sanctuary aims to maintain a sufficient level of reserves to enable normal operating activities ensuring that the Charity is able to continue over a period of at least 3 months should a shortfall in income occur. It also takes account of potential risks and contingencies that may arise from time to time.

Therefore, the Trustees have set a minimum reserves level of £3,000 at the end of the financial period April 2023 – March 2024. The Trustees are satisfied that the year-end surplus of £30,996 will allow the maintenance of current operations over the coming year as well as providing the resources required for the future development of the hospital facility.

## Structure, Governance and Management

Type of governing document	Foundation model constitution
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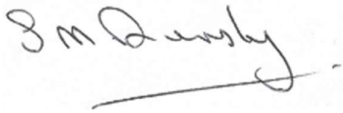
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## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Graham Edward Porter	Stuart Dunsby
Position(eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Trustee

Date 

30 <sup>TH</sup> January 2025
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CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name  
**The Waterfowl Sanctuary**

No. (Fancy)  
1108417

**Receipts and payments accounts**

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01/04/2023		31/03/2024

**Section A Receipts and payments**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Voluntary receipts	63,741	-	-	63,741	46,557
Non-cash donations	-	-	-	-	8,237
Interest received	150	-	-	150	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>63,891</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>63,891</b>	<b>54,794</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>63,891</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>63,891</b>	<b>54,794</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Cost of charitable activities	36,108	-	-	36,108	43,897
Cost of generating voluntary receipts	200	-	-	200	127
Value of non-cash donations	-	-	-	-	8,237
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>36,308</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>36,308</b>	<b>52,261</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>36,308</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>36,308</b>	<b>52,261</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>27,583</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27,583</b>	<b>2,533</b>
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	3,413	-	-	3,413	880
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>30,996</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30,996</b>	<b>3,413</b>

**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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash at hand	30	-	-
	Bank accounts	30,029	-	-
	Paypal balance	937	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>30,996</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

OK	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	OK	Restricted funds to nearest £	OK	Endowment funds to nearest £
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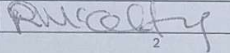
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Gift Aid owed (2022-23)	5,184	-	-
	Gift Aid owed (2023-24)	2,887	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Ponds, filters, bird housing, medical equipment.	General	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature 	Print Name R. McCafferty	Date of approval 30/01/25
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

THE WATERFOWL SANCTUARY

On accounts for the year ended

31 MARCH 2024

Charity no (if any)

1196417

Set out on pages

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Independent examiner's statement

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Signed:

Date:

20/01/25

Name:

GRAYHAM DIBB-FULLER

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

CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTANTS (CIMA)

Address:

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HIGH WYCOMBE

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE, HP11 1QQ

**Section B****Disclosure**

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.

NO ISSUES OF CONCERN FOUND.



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

The Waterfowl Sanctuary

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/04/2023	To	31/03/2024
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Voluntary receipts	63,741	-	-	63,741	46,557
Non-cash donations	-	-	-	-	8,237
Interest received	150	-	-	150	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>63,891</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>63,891</b>	<b>54,794</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>63,891</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>63,891</b>	<b>54,794</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Cost of charitable activities	36,108	-	-	36,108	43,897
Cost of generating voluntary receipts	200	-	-	200	127
Value of non-cash donations	-	-	-	-	8,237
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>36,308</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>36,308</b>	<b>52,261</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>36,308</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>36,308</b>	<b>52,261</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>27,583</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27,583</b>	<b>2,533</b>
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	3,413	-	-	3,413	880
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>30,996</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30,996</b>	<b>3,413</b>

## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash at hand	30	-	-
	Bank accounts	30,029	-	-
	Paypal balance	937	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>30,996</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Gift Aid owed (2022-23)	5,184	-	-
	Gift Aid owed (2023-24)	2,887	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Ponds, filters, bird housing, medical equipment.	General	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		30/01/2025

**THE WATERFOWL SANCTUARY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1196417

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# Accounts

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**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## **Trustees' Annual Report**

for the period 5 November 2021 to 31 March 2023

Charity name: The Waterfowl Sanctuary

Charity registration number: 1196417

### **Objectives and Activities**

The objects of the CIO are to promote humane behaviour towards waterfowl by providing appropriate care, protection, treatment and security for waterfowl which are in need of care and attention by reason of sickness, maltreatment, poor circumstances or ill usage and to educate the public in matters pertaining to waterfowl welfare in general and the prevention of cruelty and suffering among waterfowl.

The Trustees are aware of their obligation to have regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

Our many volunteers play a hugely important role in the running of our charity by rescuing birds, assisting with patient treatment and caring for our residents. The Trustees would like to thank all our volunteers for their contribution to the success of our charity.

### **Achievements and Performance**

This year has seen exciting changes notably reaching the important milestone of becoming a registered charity. There has been a great need to help our wild waterfowl in Cambridgeshire and the surrounding counties, made apparent by the daily calls received from the public for us to rescue or receive birds requiring care. As our growing reputation has increased demand on our services, we have needed to adapt and improve our on-site facilities accordingly.

During this year we have built two additional swimming enclosures complete with water filters and sheds and these have been home to many convalescing ducks, geese and swans as they progress through the stages of rehabilitation. Over 500 ducklings and goslings have been raised here, mostly rescued from being trapped in gardens and unable to walk free with their mother. Many were also brought in that had been lost during their travels. 378 swans received our help in this period and as a result our knowledge and experience had broadened significantly. We are very fortunate that several of our volunteers work in professional healthcare, and so our in-house skills for wound management developed with each case. We were able to publicise some of our successes so that others may learn from our efforts.

Much of the infrastructural development to date has been financed by the owners of the site personally, but as public support increases we hope to sustain growth and cover our operating costs through ongoing donations. A bungalow on site, formerly used for storage, has become the focus for growth with the intention of becoming a fully equipped hospital.

A 3m x 3m wet room in the hospital building was completed in early 2023. This can comfortably contain several swans whilst they receive treatments prior to moving on to the outside swimming enclosures.

Wildlife is rarely cared for by commercial vets, and so rehabilitation rescues and sanctuaries are the organisations that are best suited to care for patients that may require some short to long term care. The vision for next year will be to complete the hospital building with more wet rooms, a treatment room, a ward and a veterinary surgery so that operations can be performed on-site.

## **Financial Review**

### Financial Position

Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, the Charity generated donations of £54,794 in the period. These funds were used for the Charity's general operating costs (feed, medical supplies and fuel costs), and to improve site infrastructure as detailed in 'Achievements and Performance' above.

At the end of the period the charity had generated a surplus of £3413, which is sufficient to maintain operations for 3 months.

The Trustees have no concerns regarding the financial stability of the Charity.

### Reserves Policy

The Trustees have considered Charity Commission guidance on reserves.

The Waterfowl Sanctuary aims to maintain a sufficient level of reserves to enable normal operating activities ensuring that the Charity is able to continue over a period of at least 3 months should a shortfall in income occur. It also takes account of potential risks and contingencies that may arise from time to time.

Therefore, the Trustees have set a minimum reserves level of £3,000 at the end of the financial period November 2021- March 2023. The Trustees are satisfied that the year-end surplus of £3413 serves to meet this minimum level.

## Structure, Governance and Management

Type of governing document	Foundation model constitution
How is the charity constituted?	Charitable incorporated organisation (CIO)
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions	Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Waterfowl Sanctuary
Registered charity number	1196417
Charity's principal address	Clyde Farm Silver Street Godmanchester PE29 2LF
Names of trustees who manage the charity	Graham Edward Porter (Chair) Rebecca Mary McCaffry Ann Margaret Porter Rachel Olivia Young Lesley Ann Christine Percival Stuart Dunsby  All trustees served throughout the accounting period.

## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

	
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Full name(s)

Graham Edward Porter	Stuart Dunsby
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Position(eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair	Trustee
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Date

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## Receipts and payments account

For the period from	Period start date 11/5/2021	To
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>			
Voluntary receipts	46,557	-	-
Non-cash donations	8,237	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>54,794</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>			
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>54,794</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>			
Cost of charitable activities	43,897	-	-
Cost of generating voluntary receipts	127	-	-
Value of non-cash donations	8,237	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>52,261</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>			
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>52,261</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>2,533</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	880	-	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>3,413</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

# Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds
		to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash in hand	331
	Bank account	2,593
	Paypal balance	489
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>3,413</b>
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Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds
		to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-
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		-
		-
		-


Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>		

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Ponds, filters, bird housing, medical equipment	General

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>		

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature



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Period end date  
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Total funds

Last year

to the nearest £

to the nearest £

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8,237	-
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-	-
-	-
-	-
54,794	-

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54,794	-
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43,897	-
127	-
8,237	-
-	-
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-	-
52,261	-

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2,533	-
-	-
880	-
3,413	-



**Restricted funds**

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Name

Date of approval

David Porter

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**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name  
The Waterfowl Sanctuary

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31 March 2023  
**Charity no  
(if any)** 1196417

**Set out on pages**

Pages 1&2  
(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2023.

**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.

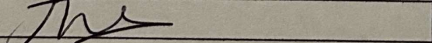
**Independent  
examiner's statement**

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:** 23.04.2024

**Name:** Jocelyn Turner FCA

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

ICAEW  
Membership no. 9288466

**Address:**

22 Church Rise  
London  
SE23 2UD

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.**

No areas of concern noted.



**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

<b>Report to the trustees/ members of</b>	Charity Name The Waterfowl Sanctuary		
<b>On accounts for the year ended</b>	31 March 2023	<b>Charity no (if any)</b>	1196417
<b>Set out on pages</b>	Pages 1&2 <small>(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)</small>		

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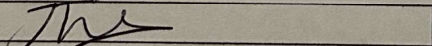
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