

NEWCASTLE AND DISTRICT BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION

England & Wales · Charity number 1204039

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2023-07-20

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

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Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC AND BEEKEEPERS IN THE CRAFT OF BEEKEEPING AND PROMOTE THE IMPORTANCE OF BEES IN THE ENVIRONMENT.

Activities: To advance the education of the public and beekeepers in the craft of beekeeping and promote the importance of bees in the environment. We offer education in the craft of beekeeping.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Newcastle Upon Tyne City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-09-30	£7,653	£6,816	-	-
2024-09-30	£8,473	£7,130	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Steven Kay	Chair	2023-07-19
Dr Annette Campbell		2023-07-19
Dr Valerie Hawley		2024-03-19
Ian Stuart Campbell		2025-10-05

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CHARITY COMMISSION
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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **1/10/2024** **To** **30/9/25**

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Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To advance the education of the public and beekeepers in the craft of beekeeping and promote the importance of bees in the environment.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Beekeeping beginners course ran, open to anyone to apply to attend to learn more about beekeeping. Attendance at public events included Newcastle allotment show open to members of the public, Northumbria Water Innovation Festival allowed engagement with many businesses large and small. Talks to schools and other community groups about beekeeping and pollinators in the environment. Members have collected swarms of bees from public locations for the protection of the public and welfare of the bees. Enquiries from members of the public have been answered. Topics include information provided about how to manage bees in buildings, identification of insects causing concern to householders such as bumblebees and education on their value, where to source local honey and many others.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	We confirm that Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	Beekeeping beginners' course and apiary training sessions have contributed to education about beekeeping and the benefits to the environment, how to responsibly manage hives to avoid nuisance to the public and contributes to protecting bees for generations to come. Attendance at public events: Newcastle allotment show has also provided education to the public about bees, bee-friendly gardening, the role of bees as pollinators and general environmental issues such as pesticide use. Our Facebook page and website also contribute to public awareness of bees and environmental issues, including identification of bees and swarms. The association has also contributed to education about an invasive predator of pollinators (including honey bees) called the Yellow legged Asian hornet. Members have collected swarms of bees from public locations for the protection of the public and welfare of the bees. Bee swarms left uncollected can be a nuisance to the public due to risk of stings but also bees can enter buildings and other spaces to form a nest which can then damage buildings and be costly to remove. Collecting swarms also reduces the risk of the swarm dying in unsuitable weather by rehoming them.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	

Other		
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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity holds a balance of £11832 at the end of the financial year, which represents rise of £1342 compared to the balance at the beginning of the financial year.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are held so that if in future the charity income falls the charity will be able to continue it's aims as long as possible
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£11832
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Nil
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	No current uncertainties.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Funds are mainly from memberships, donations and proceeds from running educational courses.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation Constitution
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are elected at the Annual General Meeting, any member may stand. If a Trustee resigns mid-year then the committee may elect a new trustee mid-year but then this person must be voted in at the AGM to continue in the role.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Newcastle and District Beekeepers Association
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1204039
Charity's principal address	13 Heatherhope, Ashington, Northumberland

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	Annette Campbell	Treasurer		
2	Vincent Cassidy	Secretary		
3	Steven Kay			
4	Roberto Balzi		19 th March 24 on	
5	Valerie Hawley		19 th March 24 on	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
Not applicable		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
Not applicable		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	nil
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Nil		

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

nil

Other optional information

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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)

Annette Campbell

Full name(s)

Annette Campbell

**Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)**

Treasurer

Date

4.3.25

Newcastle and District Beekeepers

Income and expenditure 2024-25

	2024-25	2023-24
Cash in hand c/F	0.00	0.00
Lloyds TSB Treasurers account	11832.19	10489.76
Total	11832.19	10489.76
Income		
Memberships	4431.15	4730.35
Sale of badges	0.00	60.00
Tea and coffee donations	57.11	93.07
Raffle	366.00	452.00
Miscellaneous donations	22.98	10.00
Sugar donations	45.00	135.78
Extractor deposits	30.00	0.00
extractor hire	20.00	40.00
HMRC Gift aid payment	739.97	1451.87
Course fees	1608.81	1499.45
Bank Interest	132.45	0.00
Sale of bees	200.00	0.00
TOTAL INCOME	7653.47	8472.52
Expenditure		
BBKA capitation	2588.50	2702.00
BDI	456.25	491.65
Speakers	280.00	514.50
Member event costs	380.00	141.82
Refreshments	323.81	374.14
Postage/stationery/office	120.85	5.85
Apiary Equipment	337.78	42.71
Library books/supplies/fees	245.43	94.87
Raffle prizes	44.80	20.50
Gifts	45.00	25.36
Apiary insurance	243.28	202.50
Shed	0.00	698.15
Workwear	120.00	0.00
Apiary supplies	181.64	48.99
Website costs	72.00	0.00
Zoom Subscription	0.00	15.59
HMRC repayment	0.00	693.91
extractor hire refunds	0.00	0.00

Room hire	1050.00	1000.00
Refunds	47.50	0.00
miscellaneous expenses	0.00	57.75
Laptop	268.99	0.00
Competition prize	10.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	6815.83	7130.29
 Surplus for the period	 837.64	 1342.43
 Accounts carried forward		
 Cash at hand	 10.00	 0.00
Lloyds TSB Treasurer's account	515.38	11832.19
Lloyds instant access savings	6047.44	0.00
Virgin Money savings	6097.01	0.00
 Balance	 12669.83	 11832.19

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	2023-24	2022-23
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Lloyds TSB Treasurers account	10489.76	10292.53
Total	10489.76	10371.04
Income		
Memberships	4730.35	4194.39
Sale of badges	60.00	100.00
Tea and coffee donations	93.07	53.82
Raffle	452.00	479.92
Corporate sponsorship	0.00	546.24
Donations for talks given	0.00	29.38
Miscellaneous donations	10.00	204.36
Sugar donations	135.78	65.00
extractor hire	40.00	60.00
HMRC Gift aid payment **	1451.87	704.21
Course fees	1499.45	555.23
Honey sales	0.00	83.60
Books	0.00	88.13
TOTAL INCOME	8472.52	7164.28
Expenditure		
BBKA capitation	2702.00	2523.50
BDI	491.65	490.20
Speakers	514.50	140.00
Christmas event costs	141.82	341.60
Refreshments	374.14	16.28
Postage/stationery/office	5.85	28.87
Equipment	42.71	964.45
Library books/supplies/fees	94.87	298.80
raffle prizes	20.50	0.00
gifts	25.36	50.35
Apiary insurance	202.50	137.88
Shed	698.15	0.00
Apiary supplies	48.99	152.29
Website costs	0.00	1499.84
Zoom Subscription	15.59	29.98
HMRC repayment	693.91	
extractor hire refunds	0.00	60.00

Room hire	1000.00	145.00
miscellaneous expenses	57.75	166.52
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	7130.29	7045.56
 Surplus for the period	 1342.43	 118.72
 Accounts carried forward		
Cash at hand	0.00	0.00
Lloyds TSB Treasurer's account	11832.19	10489.76
Balance	11832.19	10489.76

Awaiting Audit

** payment received twice in error