

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 10th May 2024

To 31st March 2025

Charity name: Isle of Wight Asian Hornet Team

Charity registration number:1208193

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	• To raise awareness amongst the general public of the non-native Asian Hornet (AH) within the geographical area of the Isle of Wight (IW). • To protect our native flora, fauna and pollinators from the AH • To educate residents of all ages in identifying the AH, how to stay safe, and how to inform the necessary authorities. • To create community teams for AH monitoring and reporting
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	During the period of this report we (the trustees) attended many events. The purpose of this was, in all cases, raising awareness, and educating members of the public on the IW. We gave talks to: • Coffee mornings • Community Groups, • Horticultural Societies • Church congregations • Women's Institutes We visited schools, working with STEM subject teachers to engage in educational and awareness activities with pupils with ages ranging from 5 to 16. We attended local fairs and shows across the IW with awareness stands and free posters and educational information. These included: • Shorwell Midsummer Fair, • Wolverton Manor Garden Fair, • The Royal Isle of Wight County Show • The Isle of Wight Biosphere Fair We responded to multiple reported sightings of the Asian Hornet - all of which proved to be European Hornets or other similar insects. There were no positive sightings of the Asian Hornet on the IW. We used each call out as an awareness, education and recruitment opportunity. We have recruited and trained volunteers as required during this year, our focus still remains on awareness. Our main recruitment and training will begin in the coming year. We plan to recruit and train volunteer groups in defined geographical areas on the Isle of Wight to allow swifter response to reported sightings. This will benefit the public by delivering swifter responses to their calls..

Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Isle of Wight is, by definition, a relatively small (pop.140,000) and enclosed population. We have been doing AH awareness events for some time and it has been encouraging to meet members of the public who have been to previous events, to come to talk to us again about the latest information about the Asian Hornet problem and asking what they can do to help Our message is definitely getting through. We can confirm that we have had due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when carrying out our duties.
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Achievements and Performance

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	We set out to raise awareness of and educate the public about, the AH on the Isle of Wight. Every event we attend has that as the main purpose Our catch phrase 'SEE IT, SNAP IT, APP IT' has worked well locally and it has been nationally adopted by the British Beekeepers Association (BBKA) amongst many others.
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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<u>Donations Received</u> – £2402.84 <u>Expenditure</u> Insurance -£150.96 Equipment Purchase – £1234.00 Printing Costs - £43.40 <u>Total Expenditure</u> – 1428.36 <u>Bank Acc. Balance</u> - £974.48 <u>Liabilities</u> - 0
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We do not hold a reserve. We will continue to train, equip and clothe our volunteers and to buy appropriate Asian Hornet traps. The extent of our expenditure will always depend on the state of our bank balance with depends upon local donations at events.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	0
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	We are a small charity. In our first year we were able to equip ourselves for our awareness activities from donations. We expect to continue in the same way in future years.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
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	Our Trustees are the founding members. No other trustees have been recruited. We have no plans currently to recruit more Trustees

Reference and Administrative details

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	Carol Forster (formerly Bradshaw)	Secretary		
2	Terri Burt	Chair		
3	Christine McLellan	Accounts		
4	Ruth Green			
5	Chloe Underwood			
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Charity name	Isle of Wight Asian Hornet Team
Other name the charity uses	None
Registered charity number	1208193
Charity's principal address	Ningwood Villa, Pallance Lane, Northwood, Isle of Wight PO31 8LT

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
NONE		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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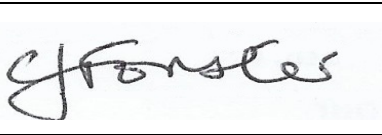
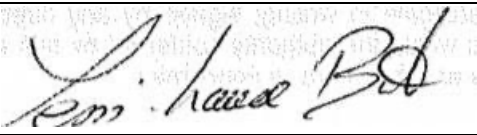
Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	None
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	None

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)	Carol Jane Bradshaw	Terr Louise Burt
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	Chair
Date	30 th January 2026	

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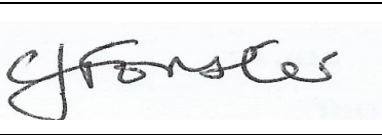
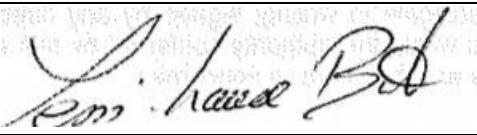
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