



BRITISH CAVE RESEARCH ASSOCIATION

The Old Methodist Chapel, Great Hucklow, BUXTON, SK17 8RG ♦ bcra.org.uk ♦ UK Reg. Charity No. 267828**COUNCIL REPORT AND ANNUAL ACCOUNTS****for the year ended 31st December 2020****Council Report**

The Council presents its annual report and accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2020.

The objects of the British Cave Research Association (BCRA) are to promote the study of caves and associated phenomena wherever they may be situated, for the benefit of the public. BCRA is a registered charity (number 267828) and is administered, in accordance with its Constitution (last amended September 2020), by the members of the Council. The Association's correspondence address is The Old Methodist Chapel, Great Hucklow, Buxton, Derbyshire SK17 8RG.

Governance and Management

The Council consists of: the President, the Chairman, the Secretary, the Treasurer, up to six representatives of the personal members and any further members (to a maximum of two) co-opted by the Council. All members of Council are Trustees of the charity.

All members of the Council, other than the President, are elected for a year term, but are eligible for re-election. Nominations for all positions on the Council, other than the President, must be proposed and seconded by voting members. In the event of a contested election, the election shall be determined by a postal ballot. The Council appoints the President to serve for a period of three years.

Council members serving during the year ended 31st December 2020 and since the year end were as follows:

David Lowe	President
John Gunn	Chairman
David Gibson	Secretary
Andrew Farrant	Treasurer
David Gough	
Paul Hardwick	Conservation Officer
Jenny Potts	Library Co-ordinator
Jo White	
Les Williams	
Andi Smith	
Andy Eavis	
Vince Simmonds	
Phil Rowsell	co-opted in December 2020

Council meetings are held at least three times a year and all major decisions on the running of the Association and the furtherance of its objects are made at those meetings. In 2020, these meetings were largely held online via Zoom. Council is supported by two committees: the library committee, which organises the day-to-day running of the British Caving Library; and the Cave Science and Technology Research Fund panel, which considers the merits of grant applications for cave research projects and approves projects for funding.

In addition, the Association has a subsidiary charity and a charitable fund, which it oversees. The subsidiary charity is the BCRA Library and Heritage Fund, which was established to support the national caving library and BCRA cave archive. The charitable fund administered by the Association is the UK Cave Conservation and Emergency Fund (UKCCEF). It has its own committee, whose members are approved by BCRA's Council, which considers and approves applications for funding.

Finally, there are several Special Interest Groups (SIGs), which act in the name of the Association. The SIGs consist of people with a common interest in a specialised subject and, whilst supported by the Association, contribute to their own funds for their own needs.

A review of our achievements and performance**Financial Review**

Membership of the Association in 2020 comprised 303 individual Members and 53 Group members (2019: 314 and 60 respectively), plus 73 Associate Members. These were previously recorded as 'non-member subscribers' and not listed in previous reports. The 2020 value is about the same as 2019 figure.

Gross income for the year was £27,226, a decrease on the previous year (£34,534), mostly due to lower donations, but partly offset by increased sales of the Caves and Karst of the Yorkshire Dales books and other publications. As in previous years, BCRA received a grant of from the British Caving Association (BCA) towards the costs of running the library. In 2020, this amount was £12,000.

Direct charitable expenditure decreased significantly from £40,485 in 2019 to £27,263 in 2020. This was in part due to a significant drop in grant expenditure as many projects were put on hold or cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The money spent on publications remained steady, whilst there was a decrease in the money spent on the library and reduced contributions to the British Cave Monitoring Centre, again due to the pandemic.

Reserves Policy

The Association needs reserves of funds to provide working capital for its ongoing activities, particularly the library, and to absorb the variability in its income. Therefore, the Trustees (members of Council) consider that it is prudent to keep in reserve a sum at least equivalent to a year's expenditure; reserves currently exceed this minimum.

Membership

Membership of the Association is only open to members of British Caving Association (BCA).

Progress on Objectives

The Association undertakes a number of initiatives in support of its objective of promoting the study of caves and associated phenomena for the benefit of the public. Progress on these initiatives is outlined below.

Cave Science and Technology Research Fund

BCRA supports cave science in a number of ways and one is by giving grants directly to those people with worthwhile cave research projects. Up to 2014, these grants came from an allocation of £25,000 made in 2006 and the Jack Meyers legacy of £20,000 made in 2009. In 2020, the Council approved the allocation of a further £25,000 from unrestricted funds to cover the next five year period. The merits of the projects are considered by a panel of BCRA members with academic expertise in cave formation, cave biology, cave technology, history and archaeology. Applications are considered three times a year. Awards have been made to support a wide range of projects from studies on microbes in caves, monitoring of stream flows in Ogof Ffynnon Ddu and dating of archaeological bone material in caves. These have been carried out by undergraduate students, postgraduates, academics and amateur scientists. This is a successful, ongoing, program of financial support for cave science. In 2020, grants amounting to £5711 were made (see Note 7 to the accounts). This brings the number of projects awarded up to December 2020 to 69, totalling £74,992.23

The British Caving Library and Archive

Essential to all aspects of cave research is a good library. The original BCRA Library, formerly housed at Matlock, has been consolidated together with other collections to form the basis of the British Caving Library, which is now housed in rented premises at Glutton Bridge, near Buxton. This provides an access point to the literature for the public.

This collection of caving literature, from all around the world, is being catalogued and maintained by a librarian employed by the BCRA and by volunteers. A library assistant (Katie Eavis) was employed throughout 2020 working 10 hours a week to help out with cataloguing the library material. The catalogue is available online on the library website: <http://caving-library.org.uk>. The library website also gives public access to the BCRA audio archive, which features interviews with famous cavers both past and present. In addition, the website gives access to the BCRA online Archive of digitised copies of early caving publications and photographs that have been donated to the library.

A unique set of records containing early, unpublished material, describing the exploration of British caves from the 1920s to the 1950s forms the core of a British Caving Archive, which

has been stored in temperature and humidity controlled vaults at the British Geological Survey (BGS) in Keyworth since 2009. The Library website provides a link to the online catalogue of this material produced by BGS staff. The long-term objective is to digitise much of this material and make it available online on the BGS website.

The British Cave Monitoring Centre.

The BCRA has established the British Cave Monitoring Centre (BCMC) at Poole's Cavern in Buxton, in conjunction with the Buxton Civic Association (BuxCA). This has since been renamed the British Cave Science Centre.

The goal of the project is to implement a long-term cave climate and environmental monitoring station, with the data used as part of cave related scientific studies. A network of sensors has been installed in the cave to monitor a wide range of variables including barometric pressure, air flow, drip rate, temperature, humidity, radon and CO₂. The data is transmitted out of the cave to a PC in a small office outside the cave entrance, and directly uploaded to the project website for anyone to download.

The data will allow students and academics to undertake projects to provide long-term monitoring of cave climate and to facilitate cave-related studies and scientific research. Gemini Data Loggers, who manufacture the range of Tinytag loggers in the UK have kindly sponsored the Monitoring Centre by providing some of the required equipment, including radio-linked temperature loggers.

Publications

There were three issues of *Cave and Karst Science* in 2020 and this publication remains one of the most important ways that the Association fulfils its objectives. The journal has maintained its delivery of high quality articles and papers for the speleological community as well as providing a forum for the exchange of ideas and information for both professional and amateur cave researchers. Thanks are due to the editorial team, and in particular to Deeje Lowe, for the enormous amount of work that this entails on the Association's behalf.

2020 saw the fifth issue of the BCRA Annual Review, which covered activities in 2019. The Review is available in our online bookshop, where it can be purchased as a hard-copy paper version (whilst stock lasts), as well as downloaded as a PDF. 43 Member clubs of the Association received a free paper copy, as did 44 international caving organisations that are on our Journal Exchange list. The Review contains BCRA Officers Reports, information on BCRA publications, reports from BCRA Special Interest Groups, information on BCRA Grants and Awards, reports from BCRA Cave Science Symposia and Field Meetings and minutes of the 2019 BCRA Annual General Meeting.

There were also four issues of The CREG Journal during 2020 (numbers 109 to 112).

Cave Conservation

The UKCEF is a charitable fund administered by the British Cave Research Association as a constituent member of the BCA. The objectives of the Fund are to support, by loans or grants, projects that further the conservation of caves and cave features, including historic mines and other

places of speleological interest within the United Kingdom.

Meetings

The number of meetings held in 2020 was severely affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. Periods of lockdown meant that field-meetings were not possible for most of the year. Meetings that were cancelled or postponed included:

- Sat & Sun 28-29th March 2020. Expedition Cave Science Weekend in collaboration with the Ghar Parau Foundation, led by Phil Rowsell at the TSG in Derbyshire.
- 2-3rd May BCRA Cave Radio and Electronics Group weekend event, North Wales.
- 9-10th May. BCRA Cave Archaeology Group weekend event, Lower Winskill Farm, Settle, North Yorkshire.
- Saturday, 13th June. BCRA cave science workshop/field trip at Priddy, Somerset, part of the BCA AGM weekend.
- Saturday, 20th June. BCRA field trip to Arncliffe and Silverdale AONB.

It is hoped that some of these will be run in 2021. Instead of field meetings and workshops, a series of online events were held, usually via Zoom. This included regular BCRA Council Meetings, making use of the UKRI Zoom account via the British Geological Survey. These worked well, with the additional benefit of saving travel costs.

The first online event for members was an online webinar 'Connecting with Cave Research - Advice for Student Researchers' on Monday 19th October. This was aimed at students in higher education who would like to become more involved in cave research. Andi Smith and Jo White ran this in collaboration with CHECC.

The 31st Annual Cave Science Symposium was also held virtually this year on Saturday 14th November 2020 via Zoom. The meeting was organised by Mike Rogerson and hosted by Northumbria University. The meeting included nine talks on a variety of topics including speleothem palaeoclimate, chalk karst in France, landscape evolution in Brazil and speleobiology in Northern Spain. The online nature of the meeting meant that speakers from overseas institutions were able to contribute including from Australia.

Audiences at our scientific meetings comprise cavers, members of the public and geological societies in addition to BCRA members.

Hidden Earth, the UK's National Caving Conference was cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Other Association News

Special Interest Groups

The work of the Special Interest Groups (SIGs) continues to enhance the portfolio of BCRA. The Cave Survey Group, the Cave Radio and Electronics Group (CREG), the Explosives User Group (EUG), the Cave Archaeology Group and the Cave Biology Group (CBG) are active, producing informative publications and hosting field meetings (when possible).

British Caving Association

BCRA is a constituent body of the BCA whilst remaining a separate legal entity, concentrating

its efforts on supporting cave sciences. It does this by running meetings, channelling grant funding, maintaining the British Caving Library and facilitating publication through its journal, *Cave and Karst Science*, and continuing with its series of occasional publications, including the successful *Cave Studies* series.

Some Council members of BCRA are also council members of BCA and there is close cooperation between the two organisations. Accordingly, under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard 102, transactions between the two associations are classified as being between "related parties". Membership subscriptions for the Association are collected by BCA. In addition, BCA has collected publication sales income and incurred costs on behalf of BCRA and the BCRA has also collected publication sales income on behalf of BCA. These transactions are detailed in Note 11 to the accounts.

Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and accounts (financial statements) in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including the applicable Charities SORP.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity, and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity, and taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees have complied with the duty in the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Approved by the Trustees on the 29th September 2021 and signed on their behalf by:



John Gunn, Chairman.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT to the Trustees of the BCRA for the year ended 31st December 2019

I report on the accounts of the BCRA for the year ended 31 December 2020, which are set out on pages 4 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act, and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act,

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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ACCOUNTS for the year ended 31st December 2020STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES for the year ended 31ST DECEMBER 2020.

Income & Expenditure Account	Year to 31st December 2020 Unrestricted Funds	Year to 31st December 2020 Restricted funds	Year to 31st December 2020 Total	Year to 31st December 2019 Total
	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Membership Subscriptions	6,785	0	6,785	5,793
Gift Aid	0	0	0	3,500
Donations Received	103	0	103	7,549
Grants Received	12,000	0	12,000	12,000
Other fundraising (Ghar Parau Foundation)	0	0	0	1,323
Royalties Received	1,365	0	1,365	1,101
<i>Caves and Karst of the Yorkshire Dales Vol. 1</i>	924	0	924	413
<i>Caves and Karst of the Yorkshire Dales Vol. 2</i>	1,354	0	1,354	938
Publication Sales	4,902	0	4,902	1,648
Field Meets & Conference Surpluses – see Note 8	(912)	0	(912)	(1,472)
Miscellaneous	46	0	46	0
Income from Investments	0	0	0	881
Bank Interest Received	558	101	659	861
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	27,125	101	27,226	34,534
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Direct Charitable Expenditure				
Cost of Publications – see Note 5	6,378	0	6,378	7,132
Distribution of Publications	2,465	0	2,465	2,096
Cave Studies	127	0	127	270
Review	1,407	0	1,407	1,339
Grant Expenditure – see Note 7	5,711	0	5,711	14,731
Joint Venture Poole's Cavern	1,000	0	1,000	2,000
Library Purchases and Expenses	10,175	0	10,175	12,917
Total Direct Charitable Expenditure	27,263	0	27,263	40,485
Other Expenditure				
Bank Charges	61	0	61	60
Administration Expenses – see Note 6	327	0	327	649
Independent Examination Fees	450	0	450	450
Miscellaneous Expenses	70	0	70	268
Depreciation of Fixed Assets	213	0	213	342
Total Other Expenditure	1,122	0	1,122	1,769
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	28,385	0	28,385	42,253
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE PERIOD	(1,260)	101	(1,159)	(7,720)
BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD AT 31st DECEMBER 2019	134,443	24,227	158,670	276,379
Transfers between funds	0	0	0	0
Transfer to separate Ghar Parau Foundation charity	0	0	0	(109,989)
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 31st DECEMBER 2020	133,183	24,328	157,511	158,670

ACCOUNTS for the year ended 31st December 2020

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION as at 31ST DECEMBER 2020

Balance Sheet	31st December 2020	31st December 2019
	£	£
FIXED ASSETS – see Note 9	603	817
CURRENT ASSETS		
Other Debtors – see Note 11	6,725	16,870
Prepayments and Accrued Income	450	451
Special Interest Groups	0	0
Bank Deposit Accounts	131,272	130,618
Bank Current Accounts	29,688	28,037
Cash in Hand	18	18
	168,152	175,994
Less: CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Special Interest Groups	3,027	5,176
Accruals and Deferred Income	8,217	12,965
Other Creditors	0	0
	11,244	18,141
NET CURRENT ASSETS	156,908	157,854
NET ASSETS	157,511	158,670
RESTRICTED FUNDS – see Note 12		
BCRA Research Fund (Restricted)	0	0
UK Cave Conservation Emergency Fund	21,111	21,024
Library and Heritage Fund	3,217	3,204
	24,328	24,227
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS		
BCRA Research Fund (Unrestricted)	21,088	11,894
BCRA General Fund	112,095	122,549
	133,183	134,443
	157,511	158,670

The notes below form an integral part of these accounts. These accounts were approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf on 29th September 2021.

John Gunn, Chairman

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS for the year ended 31st December 2020.

1) Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention. They have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (the 'Charities SORP') (second edition issued January 2019) and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) Section 1A *Small Entities* (issued September 2015) and the Charities Act 2011. No restatement of comparative items prepared under previous Generally Accepted Accounting Practice has been required.

The Association constitutes a public benefit organisation as defined by FRS 102.

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Association's ability to continue as a going concern.

There are several Special Interest Groups (SIGs), which act in the name of the Association. The SIGs consist of members of the Association with a common interest in a specialised subject and, whilst supported by the Association, contribute to their own funds for their own needs. The accounts of the Special Interest Groups (SIGs) have not been incorporated into these accounts on the basis of materiality.

The United Kingdom Cave Conservation Emergency Fund (UKCCEF) is a fund administered by the Association as a constituent member of the British Caving Association (BCA), which prepares separate accounts. The UKCCEF accounts, which are drawn up to 31st December, are included in these financial statements.

The BCRA Library and Heritage Fund was a subsidiary charity (Registered Charity 267828/2) until April 2015. The Trustees concluded that it was no longer necessary to be constituted as a separate charity; its functions and responsibilities have been transferred to BCRA. The charity does not prepare separate accounts, but is included in these accounts as a restricted fund.

Membership Subscriptions

Subscriptions are stated on a receipts basis. No adjustment is made to account for late receipt of subscriptions, as in the opinion of the Council it is prudent not to assume renewal of membership in the event of a delay in receipt of the subscription.

Legacies

Legacies are credited as income in the year in which they are receivable.

Grants

Grants are accounted for when paid or received. CSTRF grants are accounted for when offered, ie when the liability is incurred.

Annual Conference and Field Meetings

Income receivable from Field Meetings and the Association's Annual Conference is stated in the

Statement of Financial Activities net of expenditure. While these meetings are an essential part of the Association's activities, the intention is that admission fees should cover costs. Hence, in the opinion of Council, it is appropriate to show net income or expenditure from these activities.

Fixed Assets

Fixed Assets, which are all tangible, are stated at cost less a charge for depreciation. There are no assets held under any finance lease or hire purchase agreement.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of each individual asset, less its estimated residual value, over its expected useful life, on the following basis:

Computer Equipment	20% straight line
Other Equipment	20% straight line

Investments

These are stated at cost.

Stocks

The Association holds a stock of publications for resale. The stock is valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value. The valuation does not include any proportion of fixed or variable overheads.

Foreign Currencies

There are no assets or liabilities in foreign currencies as at 31st December 2020 (2019 nil). Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into Sterling at the rate of exchange ruling on the date of each individual transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account on an arising basis.

2) Special Interest Groups

There are several Special Interest Groups, which act in the name of the Association. These are self-financing groups, which have undertaken to present their own accounts. The turnover of the Special Interest Groups does not exceed £5,000 in total per annum.

3) UKCCEF

The UKCCEF is a fund administered by the Association as a constituent body of the BCA. The objective of the Fund is to support, by loan or grant, projects that further the conservation of caves. The accounts of the Fund, which are drawn up to 31st December, are incorporated within these financial statements.

4) Subsidiary Charities

The BCRA Library and Heritage Fund was a subsidiary charity (Registered Charity 267828/2) until April 2015. Until that date, it was run by the Council of the Association, who administered the national cave library and cave heritage collection. The Council continues to run the Fund for this purpose and it is included in these accounts as a restricted fund.

5) Publication Costs

For *Cave & Karst Science*:
Year to 31 Dec 2020, 3 issues, total £6,378
(Year to 31 Dec 2019, 3 issues, total £7,770)

6) Administration Expenses

Administration expenses are expenses incurred by the Trustees and other officers of the Association, either in attending Council meetings, or in

fulfilling their functional responsibilities within the Association.

The Trustees have not been remunerated during the period. No Trustees were reimbursed for expenses related to the Association's business in 2020 (2019, one Trustees, £12.31). The payments related to attendance at Council meetings in 2020 were £143.50 (2019, £489.28), the balance being the cost of undertaking functional responsibilities within the Association.

Travel costs in 2020 were significantly less than in 2019 due to the move to online Council meetings via Zoom due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

7) Award and Grant Expenditure

In addition to grants made from the Association's research fund, we also make small award payments and some grant expenditure from general funds. These are all shown in Table 1 below. The Hidden Earth annual conference normally makes grant payments from its accumulated annual surpluses. No grants were made this year as Hidden Earth was cancelled.

8) Annual Conference

The 2020 Annual Conference "Hidden Earth" was cancelled in 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic. A small deficit of £912 was incurred in 2020 due to ongoing fixed costs including insurance and advertising.

9) Fixed Assets

See Table 2 below

10) Investments

Investments belonging to the Ghar Parau Foundation were transferred on the 30th September 2019.

11) Other Debtors (Related Party Transactions)

Included in Other Debtors are amounts due from a related party, the BCA. Membership subscriptions for the Association are largely collected by BCA. In addition, BCA has collected publication sales, and incurred publication and other costs on behalf of the Association. The Association has also collected publication sales on behalf of BCA. The amount due from BCA at 31st December 2020 was £2,595.10 (31st December 2019, £13,370).

12) Restricted Funds

The Association is responsible for some restricted funds and subsidiary charities.

The BCRA Research Fund

This fund was established to promote research into all aspects of speleology in Britain and abroad. From the fund's original donation part of the monies held were restricted for the purpose of the fund. Additional monies have been transferred from the Association, which are unrestricted in nature. The two constituent parts of the fund are shown on the Statement of Financial Position as at 31st December each year.

The United Kingdom Cave Conservation Emergency Fund (UKCCEF)

The UKCCEF is a fund administered by the Association as a constituent body of the BCA.

The objective of the Fund is to support, by loan or grant, projects that further the conservation of caves. The accounts of the Fund, which are drawn up to 31st December, are incorporated within these financial statements.

The BCRA Library and Heritage Fund

The BCRA Library and Heritage Fund was a subsidiary charity (Registered Charity 267828/2) until April 2015. Until that date, it was run by the Council of the Association who administered the national cave library and cave heritage collection. The Council continues to run the Fund for this purpose as a restricted fund within the Association. The charity did not prepare separate accounts and it is included in these accounts as a restricted fund.

The movement and analysis of the net assets by fund is shown in Table 3 below.

13) Future Capital Expenditure and Future Commitments

No capital expenditure was contracted for as at 31st December 2020 (31st December 2019, nil) and no capital expenditure remained authorised but not contracted for as at 31st December 2020 (31st December 2019, nil).

The Cave Science and Technology Research Initiative, announced at the Annual Conference in 2005, aimed to provide £25,000 over five years towards cave research from the Balcombe legacy of 2001. The Jack Meyers legacy of £20,000 was added to this programme in 2009. In 2020, the Council approved the allocation of a further £25,000 from unrestricted funds to cover the next

five year period. The first grants were made in June 2006 and as at 31st December 2020 grants totalling £5,711 (31st December 2018, £66,818) had been made under the Initiative. The figure includes paid and accrued grants still to be claimed, less previous grants not claimed or no longer required.

14) Joint Venture Poole's Cavern

The BCRA has contributed a further £1,000 to continue the set up the British Cave Monitoring Centre (now renamed the British Cave Science Centre) at Poole's Cavern in Buxton, with an additional £1,000 of co-funding from Buxton Civic Association.

Table 1 – Award and Grant Expenditure**Table 1: Grant expenditure**

	Year to 31st December 2020		Year to 31st December 2019
	Unrestricted Funds	Research Fund (Restricted)	Total
	£	£	£
Ghar Parau Foundation Grants	-	-	500
Tratman Award	-	-	75
Alex Pitcher Award	-	-	375
BCA Expedition Grants	-	-	6,300
Hidden Earth Awards	-	-	350
<i>CSTRF (Designated Fund) grants:</i>			
D Wroblewska, Cave Art	-	-	500
P Hopley, Speleotherm South Africa	-	-	804
Rob Dinnins Wogan Cavern	1,570	-	397
P Murphy Bone artefacts, Littondale	-	-	1,200
B Fox, Industry & microbial communities	-	-	1,567
A Richardson, OFD Stream depth	-	-	880
H O'Regan, Yorkshire Dales & Lynx	-	-	852
Prior years' unclaimed grants written back	-	-	(2,719)
E Konstantinidi, C14 dating Spurge hole	756	-	
A Smith, Microbes & phosphorus	1,985	-	
J Rasalan, Mygalomorphs in Pangasinan	1,000	-	
B Hall, Durable data loggers	400	-	
<i>Other grants:</i>			
Matt Rowberry: 3D fracture behaviour	-	-	650
Horsham Scouts Council	-	-	3,000
	5,711	0	14,731

Table 2 – Fixed Assets

	Computer Equipment	Other Equipment	Total
	£	£	£
At Cost			
As at 01/01/20	5,477	3,218	8,695
Additions during the Period	-	-	0
Disposals during the Period	-	-	0
As at 31/12/20	5,477	3,218	8,695
Depreciation			
As at 01/01/20	4,996	2,882	7,878
Charged for the Period	133	80	213
Eliminated on disposals during the Period	-	-	0
As at 31/12/20	5,129	2,962	8,091
Net Written Down Value			
As at 31/12/19	481	336	817
As at 31/12/20	348	256	604

Table 3 – Restricted Funds: Movement and Analysis of Net Assets

	Unrestricted Funds:	Restricted Funds:		
		BCRA Research	UKCCEF	BCRA Library & Heritage Fund
	£	£	£	£
Opening Balance	134,443	-	21,024	3,203
Income for the Period	27,125	-	87	13
Expenditure for the Period	(28,385)	-	-	-
Transfer between funds		-	-	-
Closing Balance	133,183	0	21,111	3,217
Held as:				
Fixed Assets	603	-	-	-
Investments	-	-	-	-
Current Assets	143,824	-	21,111	3,217
Current Liabilities	(11,244)	-	-	-
	133,183	0	21,111	3,217