

**Report of the Trustees and  
Unaudited Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2013  
for  
Beckford Nature Reserve**

**Beckford Nature Reserve**

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2013**

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**Beckford Nature Reserve  
Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2013**

The Trustees, who are also directors for the purposes of company law, present their report with the unaudited financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 March 2013.

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

<b>Registered charity name</b>	Beckford Nature Reserve
<b>Charity registration number</b>	1119366
<b>Company registration number</b>	06228042
<b>Registered and principal office</b>	Beckford Stores and Post Office Main Street Beckford GL20 7AD

**TRUSTEES**

The trustees shown below have held office during the period.

Mrs J Berriman (resigned 30<sup>th</sup> April 2012)  
Mrs C Brown  
Mrs D Colvin  
Mr G Stringer  
Mr M McCauley  
Mr J Grice (appointed 1<sup>st</sup> May 2012)

**Secretary** Mrs D Colvin

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

Beckford Nature Reserve is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 28<sup>th</sup> April 2007. It is registered as a charity with The Charity Commission for England and Wales.

The Board of Trustees, which can have up to 5 members, administers the charity. As set out in the Articles of Association the Board of Trustees may appoint any person that they consider suitable to be a Trustee. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10.

**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

The objects of the company are:

- 1) To promote the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment of the disused quarry pit known as Beckford Nature Reserve situated in the north of Beckford in the county of Worcestershire which incorporates the Beckford Gravel Pit Site of Special Scientific Interest; and
- 2) Insofar as it is incidental or ancillary to the conservation, protection and improvement of the above quarry pit and the surrounding area, such purposes for the benefit of the local community as shall be exclusively charitable.

The general aim of the charity is to maintain the Nature Reserve as a conservation area for use by the public and local residents.

The main objectives continue to be the promotion of the nature reserve with the aim of raising money so that it can continue with the conservation and improvement of the area.

The Trustees confirm that they have had regard to guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning activities.

**ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

No major work has been undertaken this year. We continue to cut the grass on the north side and this encourages wild flowers and greater biodiversity. We participated in the Beckford Open Gardens event helping children to build 'bug hotels' as habitats for insects. We experienced extreme levels of water in the lake, from very low in the summer to some flooding of one of the footpaths in the spring. We have been advised by a qualified hydrologist that there is little we can do about this and must let nature take its course.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

Income reduced this year by £653 to £2573 due to lower donations and card sales. However as no major work needed to be funded a surplus of £309 was earned for the year.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued in March 2005 and the special provisions in part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

**Signed on behalf of the charities trustees**

J Grice Trustee

3<sup>rd</sup> October 2013

## Beckford Nature Reserve

### Independent Examiners Report to the Members of Beckford Nature Reserve

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2013 set out on pages 1 to 6.

#### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also directors of the company for the purposes of company law) 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.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the 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 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities 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.

M Sanger-Davies  
Independent examiner

2<sup>nd</sup> November 2013

Beckford Nature Reserve

Income and Expenditure Account  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2013

2012 £		2013 £
	<b>INCOME</b>	
1151	Donations	590
990	200 Club	1060
360	Functions	316
709	Cards & Calendars	460
-	Gift Aid	69
<u>16</u>	Interest	<u>78</u>
3226		2573
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	<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	
665	Insurance	726
-	Accountancy	-
310	Work on Land	240
331	Repairs & Maintenance	169
-	Leaflets	-
80	Sundry Expenses	349
<u>880</u>	Depreciation	<u>780</u>
2266		2264
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<u>960</u>	<b><u>NET INCOME / (DEFICIT)</u></b>	<u>309</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

**Beckford Nature Reserve**

**Balance Sheet  
31 March 2013**

2012				2013	
£	£		Notes	£	£
		<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
64989		Tangible assets	2		64421
		<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
	684	Prepayments		746	
	<u>11296</u>	Cash at bank		<u>12111</u>	
	11980			12857	
		<b>CREDITORS</b>			
	<u>1237</u>	Accruals		<u>1237</u>	
<u>10743</u>		<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			<u>11620</u>
<u><u>75732</u></u>		<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			<u><u>76041</u></u>
		<b>FUNDS</b>			
74772		Unrestricted income funds brought forward			75732
<u>960</u>		Income and Expenditure account			<u>309</u>
<u><u>75732</u></u>		Unrestricted income funds carried forward			<u><u>76041</u></u>

The trustees are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 (the Act) relating to the audit of the financial statements for the year by virtue of section 477(2), and that no members have requested an audit pursuant to section 476(1) of the Act.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act, and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of Section 393, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

The financial statements were approved and signed by a member of the committee on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2013

J Grice  
Trustee

**Beckford Nature Reserve**

**Notes to the Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2013**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in March 2005 (SORP 2005) and the Companies Act 2006.

**Income**

All income is included when received or receivable.

**Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Equipment - 15% on reducing balance

**2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Totals £	Land £	Equipment £
<b>COST</b>			
At 1 April 2012	67575	60000	7575
Additions	<u>212</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>212</u>
At 31 March 2013	<u>67787</u>	<u>60000</u>	<u>7787</u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>			
At 1 April 2012	2586	-	2586
Charge for year	<u>780</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>780</u>
At 31 March 2013	<u>3366</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3366</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>			
At 31 March 2013	<u>64421</u>	<u>60000</u>	<u>4421</u>
At 31 March 2012	<u>64989</u>	<u>60000</u>	<u>4989</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2013**

**5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2013	2012
	£	£
Accrued income	-	-
Prepayments	<u>746</u>	<u>684</u>
	<u>746</u>	<u>684</u>

**6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2013	2012
	£	£
Accruals	<u>1237</u>	<u>1237</u>
	<u>1237</u>	<u>1237</u>