

**Report of the Trustees and
Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2016
for
Beckford Nature Reserve**

Beckford Nature Reserve

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**Beckford Nature Reserve
Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2016**

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 2015.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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

TRUSTEES

The trustees shown below have held office during the period.

Mrs C Brown
Mr G Stringer
Mr M McCauley
Mr J Grice
Mrs C Henderson

Secretary Mrs C Henderson

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Beckford Nature Reserve is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 28th 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

Some dead and dying trees were removed and general clearance and maintenance continued. A new bench to be carved from a piece of a large tree trunk in memory of John Clifford, long time warden and founding Trustee, who died in the previous year was ordered

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Income reduced this year to £2613 as the previous year was exceptional due to the donations received in memory of John Clifford although there were increases in the income from other sources. Expenses increased due to higher insurance premiums and the cost of the tree removals leaving a net deficit after depreciation of £644.

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

15th June 2016

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Independent Examiners Report to the Members of Beckford Nature Reserve

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2016 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
25th September 2016

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Income and Expenditure Account
for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

2015 £		2016 £
	INCOME	
1788	Donations	444
1080	200 Club	1413
456	Functions	630
193	Cards & Calendars	87
251	Gift Aid	35
<u>40</u>	Interest	<u>4</u>
3808		2613
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	EXPENDITURE	
891	Insurance	1103
-	Accountancy	-
307	Work on Land	960
677	Repairs & Maintenance	273
-	Leaflets	125
129	Sundry Expenses	127
<u>699</u>	Depreciation	<u>669</u>
2703		3257
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<u>1105</u>	<u>NET INCOME / (DEFICIT)</u>	<u>(644)</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**Balance Sheet
31 March 2016**

2015									
£	£		Notes	£	£				
		FIXED ASSETS							
63969		Tangible assets	2						63733
		CURRENT ASSETS							
	1315	Prepayments				1102			
	<u>13799</u>	Cash at bank				<u>13594</u>			
	15114					14696			
		CREDITORS							
	<u>1404</u>	Accruals				<u>1394</u>			
<u>13710</u>		NET CURRENT ASSETS							<u>13302</u>
		TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES							<u>77035</u>
<u>77679</u>									
		FUNDS							
76574		Unrestricted income funds brought forward							77679
<u>1105</u>		Income and Expenditure account							<u>(644)</u>
<u>77679</u>		Unrestricted income funds carried forward							<u>77035</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

15th June 2016

J Grice
Trustee

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2016**

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 £
COST			
At 1 April 2015	68723	60000	8723
Additions	<u>433</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>433</u>
At 31 March 2016	<u>69156</u>	<u>60000</u>	<u>9156</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2015	4754	-	4754
Charge for year	<u>669</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>669</u>
At 31 March 2016	<u>4754</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4754</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2016	<u>63733</u>	<u>60000</u>	<u>3733</u>
At 31 March 2015	<u>63969</u>	<u>60000</u>	<u>3969</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2016	2015
	£	£
Accrued income	35	247
Prepayments	<u>1067</u>	<u>1068</u>
	<u>1102</u>	<u>1315</u>

6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2016	2015
	£	£
Accruals	<u>1394</u>	<u>1404</u>
	<u>1394</u>	<u>1404</u>